Happy Birthday!!
- surrealistic

Happy birthday Kaori! I hope all your wishes come true and if you do drink.. don't drink too much! haha
- xXxHoLiC

HAPPY BIRTHDAY KAORI!!!
- Vampireechoets

HAPPY BIRTHDAY KAORI-CHAN!!!!
- SARETTA84

Happy Birthday Kaori dear! <3
- Julnika

HAPPY BIRTHDAY KAORI-ONEESAN!! <33
- Alastriva

Happy Birthday Kaori-chan !!!! May this day bring u all what you wish! ^^
- Luv_Tackey

happy birthday kaori-chan & sakurinha-chan!
- xdestiny

Yo! We're the same age now! Happy b-day!
gentleginger

Happy Birthday, Kaori & Sakurinha

ARG how did I miss this!!!
HAPPY 21TH BIRTHDAY!!!
Have fun.. YAY during the holiday!
- Tsunade

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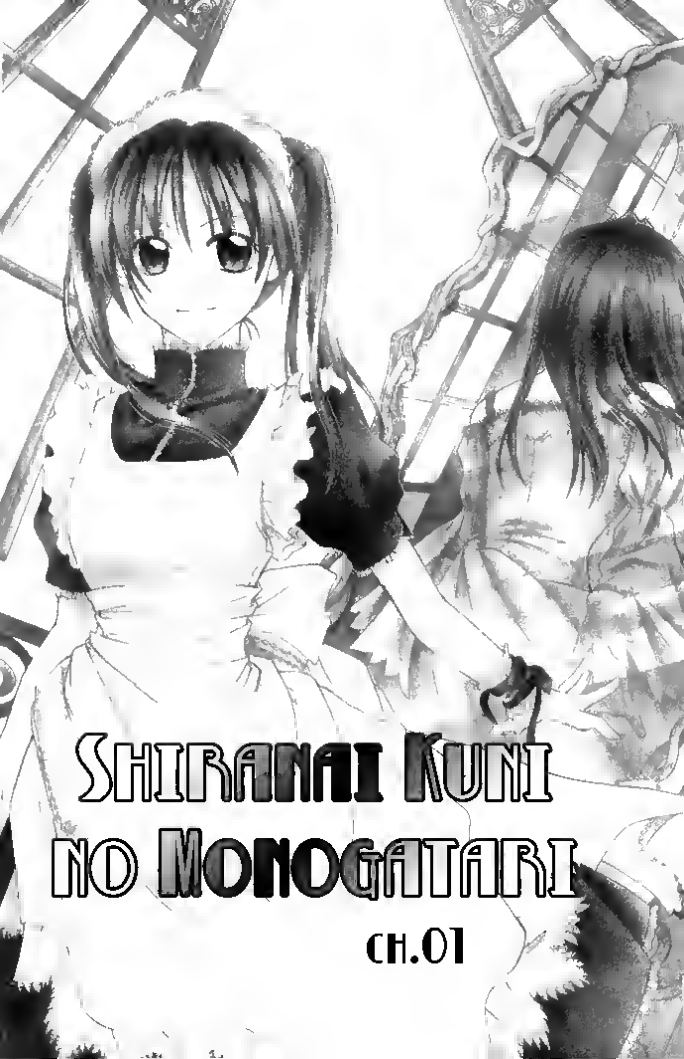

SHIRANAI KUNI
NO MONOGATARI
CH.01

I'M A PRINCESS OF THIS EVERGREEN COUNTRY, ELDELA - ROSE MARY
BECAUSE OF AN ENGAGEMENT,
I'VE CAME PERSONALLY TO THIS HIGH-TECH COUNTRY CALLED ULYNIA.
GOOD MORNING, PRINCE RONALD!
I'M PRINCESS ROSE MARY'S MAID, MARY!
AS A MAID!

I AM HERE TO SEE HOW THE OTHER PERSON IS LIKE, THAT'S WHY I DISGUISED MYSELF AS A MAID
THE REASON WHY I AM HERE IS TO BREAK OFF THIS ENGAGEMENT NO...
A few days ago...
Engagement?
HE IS SOMEONE I MET BEFORE, THE PRINCE OF ULYNIA.
NOT BAD, RIGHT? HAVE YOU ANY IDEA HOW RICH THEY ARE?
WHAT HAS THAT GOT TO DO WITH ME?
HOW CAN YOU JUST DECIDE THAT WITHOUT SEEKING MY PERMISSION? BROTHER!

THINK ABOUT IT, WE ARE JUST A SMALL COUNTRY DEPENDING ON TOURISTS' EXPENDITURE FOR REVENUE
WOULDN'T IT BE GREAT TO BE IN-LAWS WITH A BIG AND WEALTHY COUNTRY?
WE OPENED UP OUR PALACE TO THE PUBLIC CHARGING THEM FOR A TOUR AROUND.
AND YOU, A PRINCESS, HAVE TO DRESS AS A MAID TO SELL BREAD IN THE GARDEN.
WHILE I, THE PRINCE, HAS TO UNDERTAKE THE ROLE OF A TOUR GUIDE!
ALTHOUGH I'D LOVE TO EARN OUR OWN LIVING,
That's how we are
So, what's the connection?
BUT US BEING POOR IS THE FACT!
IF YOU MARRY WITH THE OTHER PARTY, MONEY WILL START ROLLING IN.
AND WE WILL BE THE HOT TOPIC IN THEIR COUNTRY AND THAT WILL DEFINITELY ATTRACT MILLIONS OF TOURISTS!
The tour groups from Lilynia have been decreasing nowadays, you know.
EVEN SO, YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE CHOSEN A PRINCE FROM LILYNIA

ULYNIA
ELDELA
I HEARD THAT COUNTRY IS COVERED BY A HUGE SHIELD, AND THAT PLACE IS FULL OF TRAPS!
What traps
THERE ISN'T ANY NATURAL SCENERY AT ALL!
AND I ALSO HEARD THAT RONALD IS COLD AND WILFUL, AND A FREAK THAT DOESN'T STEP OUT OF THE PALACE!
I OBJECT TO THIS ENGAGEMENT!
YOU HAVEN'T EVEN MET HIM BEFORE, DON'T BELIEVE THOSE RUMORS!
BACK IN THAT COUNTRY, THERE ARE ALSO RUMORS ABOUT YOU BEING A WEIRD PRINCESS AND HANGING OUT WITH SPIRITS IN THE FOREST
WHAT?
BOTH OF YOU WILL DEFINITELY HIT OFF WELL WITH EACH OTHER,
YOU WILL KNOW AFTER SEEING HIM
THEN YOU SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST LET US MEET BEFORE AGREEING TO THE MARRIAGE!
I DEFINITELY HAVE TO BREAK THIS AGREEMENT!

THUS, BECAUSE OF THAT I ENTERED LYNIA SECRETLY
SO, YOU ARE PRINCESS ROSE MARY'S MAID?
PRINCE MATTHEW MENTIONED ABOUT YOU ON THE PHONE JUST NOW
IF THE MARRIAGE HAS BEEN FINALIZED, I'LL CHECK IT MYSELF.
YOU WILL ONLY NEED TO DO YOUR JOB AS A MAID.
EH?
MARIE YOU WILL BE IN-CHARGE OF TEACHING HER
START WITH MAKING TEA.
THIS PERSON IS PRINCE RONALD?
HE LOOKS NORMAL TO ME!
HE SAYS THAT I CAN ASK YOU ANYTHING ABOUT ELDELA AND ROSE MARY,
BUT I AM NOT INTERESTED AT ALL!

What kind of attitude is that!
TOTALLY RUINED MY MOOD! SO THE RUMORS ARE TRUE AFTER ALL?
LET'S GO, MARY!
BONK
Ah
OK!
OUCH!
ALL THE DOORS IN THE PALACE ARE AUTOMATIC!
I forgot.
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
Hurts so much!
POUR
smiles
EVERYTHING IS AUTOMATIC AROUND HERE. YOU'D RATHER HAD TO GET USE TO IT!
DON'T TELL ME THAT THE AIR-CONDITIONING IS ALSO AUTOMATIC?
YES! THE AIR QUALITY AND MAINTENANCE ARE ALL CONTROLLED BY THE MAIN SYSTEM.
VERY COMFORTABLE RIGHT?
THIS IS A VERY HIGH-TECH COUNTRY
ON MY WAY TO THE PALACE I'VE CAME ACROSS MANY MACHINERIES AND LIVES ARE INDEED MORE CONVENIENT WITH THEM
AND IN PALACE THERE ARE MAIDS TO MAKE UP FOR THE LIMITATIONS OF THE MACHINERIES
STAYING HERE IS JUST LIKE A FLOWER IN THE GREENHOUSE! BEING PROTECTED AND SHELTERED FROM HARM!

Hello everyone
I'm Kousse Kase
Thank you so much for reading this manga of mine
This is my very first manga! I'm so happy that I can't even speak properly now
I've never expected that I can publish my own series of manga that fast and to me it's like a dream come true!
This story was first published in LaLa magazine it's my first time drawing colored manga my first series and definitely my first comic book
That's why this is a book that has realized a lot of dreams for me
Though there's still more room for improvement and for learning, but as I was drawing this manga I really gave my all and also enjoyed the whole process.
Lastly, I hope that the world in this manga can bring joy to all of you!
SHAKE
So happy! It's my own manga!
I AM SURE I CAN'T LIVE WITH SUCH A PERSON
SHOULD I JUST CALL OFF THE ENGAGEMENT AND RETURN TO MY PALACE?
PRINCE RONALD,
ARE YOU NOT FEELING WELL?
I'M JUST A LITTLE TIRED
ARE YOU SURE?
PRINCE RONALD, IT'S TIME FOR YOUR MEAL
I DON'T FEEL LIKE EATING TODAY
BUT YOU HAVEN'T EATEN FOR THREE DAYS
JUST GIVE ME SOME VITAMIN PILLS
WHAT IS THIS!
NO WONDER YOU ARE NOT FEELING WELL!
WHAT KIND OF LIFE HAS THIS PERSON BEEN LIVING?

MARY, THAT'S BECAUSE THE PRINCE HAS BEEN BUSY...
WITH INADEQUATE SLEEP AND MALNOURISHMENT, YOU WILL FALL SICK EASILY!
NO MATTER WHAT THE REASON IS, AS A PRINCE YOU SHOULD TAKE CARE OF YOUR OWN HEALTH!
WITH A GOOD HEALTH, YOU ARE THEN ABLE TO WORK BETTER!
PLEASE, REMEMBER TO EAT YOUR MEALS AND SLEEP ADEQUATELY!
AH!
I forgot that I'm a maid!
RO... ROSE MARY PRINCESS WILL DEFINITELY SAY THESE IF SHE SEES YOU LIKE THAT
...
FINE, SINCE I'VE ALREADY DECIDED TO LEAVE...
WE, ELDELA PEOPLE, VALUE OUR EALTH,
BECAUSE HAVING GOOD HEALTH IS THE BASIC FOUNDATION!
FROM NOW ON, I'LL HELP INCREASE THE PRINCE'S AWARENESS TO A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE

FINE, DO WHATEVER YOU PLEASE.
I THOUGHT HE WOULD SAY "TAKE IT OR LEAVE"!
THEN I SHALL DO WHATEVER I WANT!
KARK KARK KARK
PRINCE RORY, IT'S TIME FOR YOUR MEAL!
I'VE MADE YOU A NUTRITIOUS AND GOOD-FOR-YOUR-STOMACH BRAISED RICE, ENJOY YOUR MEAL!
HOW CAN YOU JUST DECIDE LIKE THAT?
Was just dumbfounded to say why couldn't you ask me
THIS IS VERY NUTRITIOUS FOR YOUR BODY, PLEASE EAT IT!
AND I CAN TAKE THIS TIME TO CLEAN THE ROOM.
Since that's the case
HELP ME MOVE THESE BOOKS, THEN!
IT SEEMS THAT I'M BECOMING MORE AND MORE LIKE A SERVANT NOW.
Though I really like to do chores!
These books are heavy...

!!!
A POTTED PLANT? YOU LIKE PLANTS?
NOT REALLY
It's a gift from someone
SO, HE'S ALSO LACKING INTEREST IN PLANTS?
HE'S REALLY EATING IT
RATHER OBEDIENT!
IF YOU DON'T WATER THE PLANTS ADEQUATELY, IT'LL WILT!
AND YOU HAVE TO PUT THEM NEAR THE SUNLIGHT, AND ALLOW THEM SOME FRESH AIR SOMETIMES...
Eh?
HOW DO YOU OPEN THIS WINDOW?
TO PREVENT THEFT AND FOR SAFETY REASONS, THE WINDOWS CANNOT BE OPENED

EH?
WE HAVE AN IN-HOUSE AIR PURIFICATION SYSTEM, SO WE DON'T REALLY NEED TO OPEN THE WINDOWS, TOO
YOU SHOULD HAVE ALSO LEARNT THAT THIS COUNTRY IS PROTECTED BY A HUGE SHIELD, RIGHT?
THE WINDS WILL ONLY BLOW IN PLACES THAT NEED IT, RAIN WILL ONLY FALL DURING "RAINY DAYS",
THE WEATHERS ARE ALL COMPUTERIZED IMAGES YOU SHOULD HAVE RESEARCHED ON THESE BEFORE YOU CAME.
You're too noisy!
PRINCE RONALD! YOU DIDN'T FINISH YOUR FOOD AGAIN!
AH!
I HATE VEGETABLES!
AS COMPARED TO THE WAY HE PUTS PEOPLE DOWN THE FAKE SKY DISHEARTENS ME MORE ...

ISN'T THAT BECAUSE YOU SAID IT'S GOOD FOR HEALTH?
Oh, that's why
YOU ATE QUITE A LOT IN THAT CASE!
YOU SHOULD RETURN TO YOUR CHORES NOW!
OK!
MARY, THE PRINCE SEEMS TO BE MAKING THINGS DIFFICULT FOR YOU...
ARE YOU OK?
TIDY UP THAT PILE AND OF PAPERS THOSE OVER ON THE THERE. TABLE ARE LETTERS
Which is which?!
MAYBE HE ISN'T SO BAD AS I'VE IMAGINED
I SHOULD OBSERVE HIM A LITTLE LONGER THEN!
WAKE ME UP AT 5AM.
We have never been so busy in the past.
PAUNTS
BUT IT'S ALREADY 3AM NOW!
Stop fussing! You should be sleeping now!
I already slept for 10 minutes!

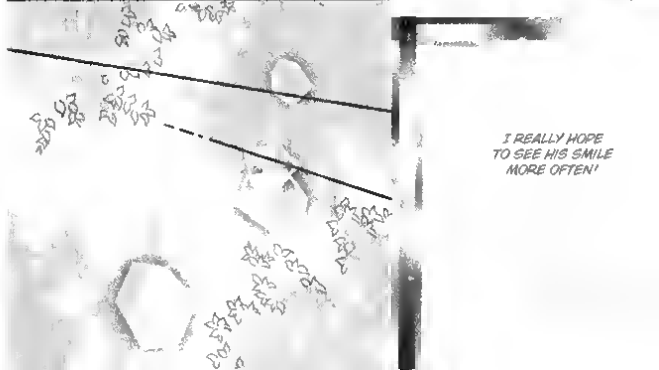
YOU REALLY HAVE THE DETERMINATION I MUST SAY!
Sigh
I SHOULDN'T HAVE MEDDLED INTO HIS AFFAIRS!
If it was me I would have given up.
AHAHAHA!!!
SINCE THAT'S THE CASE, I SHOULD NAG AT HIM UNTIL HE CAN'T TAKE IT!
I MUST MAKE HIM SO OBEDIENT THAT HE WILL EAT AND SLEEP WELL!
Amazing
ESPECIALLY NOWADAYS WHEN HIS HEALTH SEEMS TO BE DETERIORATING
PRINCE RONALD, YOU SHOULD BE RESTING NOW
cough cough
I'VE FINISHED MY WORK
I SHALL GO PREPARE YOUR BED THEN
cough cough
PRINCE RONALD?
Somebody help!
Marie! Get the doctor here!

cough
cough
AH... YOU'VE WOKEN UP?
THE DOCTOR SAID THAT YOU HAD OVER-EXERTED YOURSELF, AND YOU HAVE ALSO CAUGHT A COLD!
I'M SO SORRY! I SHOULD HAVE BROUGHT YOU TO THE DOCTOR EARLIER.
I'VE BREWED SOME FLOWER TEA.
WHAT YOU NEED TO DO NOW IS TO REST WELL AND RECOVER YOUR STRENGTH FIRST.
IF YOU WANT TO EAT ANYTHING, JUST INFORM ME, I'LL BRING OVER YOUR MEDICINE LATER.
Ha, ha!
I ACTED ON MY OWN WILL AGAIN, SORRY!
I PLACED SOME LAVENDER NEXT TO YOUR BED, TO HELP YOU SLEEP BETTER.
THANK YOU.

Please, take care of my three meals then, Mary.
Eh?
What happened to you? Why are you so obedient suddenly?
Aren't you always saying things that put people down?
Ah, I didn't mean to say that.
Waahhhhhhh!
And it's the first time you called my name!
You are really a weird girl!
You are the one who puts people down!
He...
He smiled!
Pri... Prince Ronald reacted like a normal person! I'm so surprised!
It's just a difference in lifestyle, and a bad temper, that's all!
After all the Prince is concealed and brought up by his parents, he is not so weird after all!
Maybe it's because of my poor eyesight that's why I look fierce
I don't mean that.

PRINCE RONALD, WHEN YOU HAVE FULLY RECOVERED,
WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO OUT FOR A WALK?
BUT I DID GIVE ENOUGH WATER AND SUNLIGHT!!
THOUGH I CAN'T PUT IT OUTSIDE,
TUNTU
THIS TREE SEEMS TO HAVE REVIVED
HE GAVE ME A FRIGHT SO HE COULD ACTUALLY SMILE!
But why did he say I am weird?

THIS IDEA SOUNDS GOOD


I REALLY HOPE TO SEE HIS SMILE MORE OFTEN!

I didn't know this country has a place like that!
WOW!
♡
YOU CAN FEEL THE COOL BREEZE AND EVEN HEAR THE BIRDS SING!
THIS PLACE IS FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES AND IT INVESTIGATES THE EFFECT OF NATURE'S SOUNDS TO THE BRAIN.
THERE'S NO NEED TO TELL ME THAT!
☆
BUT WHY DID YOU BRING ME HERE?
YOU WERE THE ONE WHO SUGGESTED COMING OUT FOR A WALK,
SO I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT LIKE THIS PLACE.
THIS IS TO THANK YOU FOR TAKING CARE OF ME, AND ALSO, TO APOLOGIZE FOR CONSTANTLY TROUBLING YOU.
I AM SORRY

Ha, ha!
SO HE REALLY THOUGHT I WAS A SPY!
It's normal to think like that actually
YOU WERE SENT HERE BY PRINCE MATTHEW TO SPY ON ME, AND I THOUGHT BY GIVING YOU LOTS OF CHORES TO DO YOU MIGHT LEAVE...
BUT YOU WERE REALLY CONCERNED FOR ME!
It's nothing!
I JUST DID WHAT I OUGHT TO DO
You are right
I JUST COULDN'T BEAR TO LEAVE YOU ALONE!
ALTHOUGH WE ARE ALWAYS SURROUNDED BY SO MANY MACHINERIES,
ONLY HUMANS CAN UNDERSTAND AND FEEL FOR EACH OTHER!
This is what a maid does!
ACTUALLY, THOSE CHORES THAT I ASKED YOU TO DO, THEY CAN ALL BE TAKEN CARE OF BY THE MACHINES...
Sorry!
Really?
Sigh...
LOOKS LIKE I REALLY DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS COUNTRY.

WHAT DO WE LACK?
Ever changing...
LIKE NOW AMAZED I WAS THAT THERE IS SUCH A PLACE IN THIS COUNTRY,
AND I'VE NEVER EXPERIENCED STRONG WINDS OR SUDDEN RAIN HERE BEFORE
BUT NOW I KNOW,
WHAT THIS COUNTRY HAS AND LACKS, COMPARED TO OTHER COUNTRIES
Strong winds? Sudden rain?
ARE YOU REFERRING TO THOSE NATURAL PHENOMENON ?
THAT WILL ONLY BRING DANGER TO PEOPLE...
Ah, ha, ha!
DANGER? YOU ARE RIGHT TO SAY THAT!
BUT...
HAVE YOU SEEN THE BEAUTIFUL RAINBOWS THAT APPEAR AFTER THE RAINS?
IT'S EXACTLY THE UNCERTAINTY OF NOT KNOWING WHETHER THE RAINBOW WILL APPEAR OR NOT THAT MAKES YOU EVEN HAPPIER WHEN YOU SEE ONE
A rainbow is this big!
YOU'LL UNDERSTAND WHEN YOU SEE ONE!
I LEARNT AND UNDERSTOOD A LOT OF THINGS DURING MY VISIT HERE
CIRCLES AROUND

SPRAIN
WAH!
INCLUDING EVERYTHING ABOUT THIS COUNTRY,
AND PRINCE RONALD-
WAHHHHHH...!
WHY DID YOU JUST SUDDENLY FALL?
WHAT A FRIGHT! UNLIKE WHAT I IMAGINED HE WAS MUCH STRONGER THAN I THOUGHT

YOUR ACTIONS ARE ALWAYS SO UNPREDICTABLE!
Everything you do...
SO... SORRY! AND THANKS FOR CATCHING ME!
PRINCE RONALD IS NOT A FREAK! RUMORS ARE REALLY NOT WORTH BELIEVING IN!
HOW DO YOU DEFINE 'WEIRD'? HMM...
THE SO-CALLED 'WEIRD' SHOULD BE...
SHOCK
!!
LIKE ME?
A princess, yet being a maid here!

IN ORDER TO SEE THIS COUNTRY, AND HOW WEIRD THE PRINCE IS,
I ACTUALLY DISGUISED AS A MAID! I AM THE WEIRDO HERE!
I WANTED TO CANCEL THIS ENGAGEMENT INITIALLY!
MARY!
THE WATER IS FLOWING OUT ALREADY
Wahh ...
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
I DIDN'T EXPECT THINGS TO TURN OUT THIS WAY!
I DON'T HAVE A REASON TO REFUSE THIS ENGAGE-MENT NOW...
I'm sorry
DRIPS

AM I NOT DECEIVING HIM NOW?
IF HE FOUND OUT THAT I AM THE PRINCESS, HOW WOULD HE THINK?
BUT, HOW COULD I? I AM DISGUISING AS A MAID TO GET CLOSER TO HIM NOW.
DO WE ARRANGE FOR ANOTHER FORMAL MEETING THE NEXT TIME?
IF I ASK MY BROTHER TO FETCH ME BACK
WE ARE A PAIR OF IDIOTIC SIBLINGS!
THIS MIGHT LEAD TO THE AGGRESSION OF TWO COUNTRIES!
MARY? ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
I WAS TOO RASH! MY BROTHER TOO!
PRINCE RONALD KNEW THAT I WAS HERE TO CHECK ON HIM BUT, HE STILL KEPT ME BY HIS SIDE
TUG
And I deceived him instead!
I'M REALLY SORRY!

BUT JUST WHEN I GOT TO UNDERSTAND HIM MORE, WHEN I FINALLY SAW HIM SMILE?
IF THAT'S THE CASE, WE'LL NEVER SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN
I CAN STILL STICK TO MY ORIGINAL PLAN. CANCEL THIS ENGAGEMENT AND RETURN HOME
IT SHOULDN'T BE LIKE THAT
What should I do?
IS IT BECAUSE I AM HAPPY? OR IS IT BECAUSE OF GUILT? I REALLY HAVE NO IDEA
EVERY TIME WHEN I SEE HIM NOW MY HEART STARTS BEATING FASTER
MARY'S ACTING RATHER STRANGE NOWADAYS, ISN'T SHE?
THAT'S TRUE, EVER SINCE HER VISIT TO THE "FOREST"...

Hm, hm
ARE YOU WORRIED? DO YOU WANT ME TO CHECK THE SURVEILLANCE CAMERA FOR YOU?
THAT'S BECAUSE MARY IS A WEIRD PERSON!
That's why I'm a little curious
That's the cause?
IS SHE HOMESICK?
IT'S SO RARE.
THAT PRINCE RONALD IS SHOWING CONCERN TO OTHERS!
NO NEED FOR THAT...
ONLY HUMANS CAN UNDERSTAND AND FEEL FOR EACH OTHER!
I'LL FIND HER MYSELF!
I CAN'T JUST STAY HERE AND BROOD OVER THIS MATTER!
SINCE I KNOW THE CHARACTER OF THE PRINCE NOW, I CAN THINK ABOUT OTHER STUFF WHEN I GET BACK!

Fine!
STAYING HERE WILL JUST ADD ON TO MY SADNESS
THEN I SHALL RETURN TO ELDELA!
SO, YOU REALLY ARE HOMESICK?
PRINCE RONALD?
I... I'VE MORE OR LESS SEEN HOW THIS COUNTRY IS LIKE,
AND BECAUSE PRINCE RONALD HAS NO INTEREST IN ELDELA,
SO, I GUESS THERE'S NO POINT IN ME STAYING HERE ANYMORE.
INDEED PRINCE RONALD DID MENTIONED THAT HE WASN'T INTERESTED IN ELDELA OR THE PRINCESS!
THAT'S TRUE, BUT...
BECAUSE OF YOU, I'M BEGINNING TO DEVELOP INTEREST IN THEM.
MAYBE I SHOULD SEE THEM FOR MYSELF BEFORE JUDGING THEM
Eh...

SHE ISN'T LIKE WHAT YOU DESCRIBED! YOU WILL BE DISAPPOINTED... NO, YOU WILL BE DISILLUSIONED!
The actual Princess
MAYBE PRINCESS MARY IS TOTALLY NOT LIKE WHAT I'VE IMAGINED TO BE, JUST LIKE YOU,
A SMART AND VIRTUOUS BEAUTY...
NO, THAT'S NOT TRUE...
SHE ACTS WITHOUT THINKING ABOUT THE CONSEQUENCES AND SHE ALWAYS QUARRELS WITH HER BROTHER PRINCE MATTHEW!
AND SHE EVEN BELIEVED IN RUMORS AND WANTED TO RUIN THE BETROTHAL, SHE'S REALLY THE WORST PRINCESS!
A PRINCESS LIKE HER ISN'T WORTHY OF YOU!
MARY, WHAT DO YOU THINK?
DO YOU THINK THAT PRINCESS ROSE MARY WILL STILL BELIEVE IN THE RUMORS IF SHE SEES ME?
I WON'T KNOW THAT UNLESS I SEE HER FACE TO FACE, RIGHT?

IF PRINCESS ROSE MARY SEES YOU, PRINCE RONALD.
SHE'LL DEFINITELY LIKE YOU...!
SHE'LL WANT TO UNDERSTAND YOU BETTER!
SIGH
YOU ARE REALLY NOT LIKE WHAT I'VE IMAGINED TO BE!

I WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS ABOUT THE DETAILS OF OUR MARRIAGE!
THAT'S WHY I'M BEGINNING TO DEVELOP INTEREST IN YOU!
I'VE CHANGED MY OPINIONS ABOUT YOU,
PRINCESS ROSE MARY
!!!
FAINTS
SO,
YOU ALREADY KNEW?
HOW CAN THIS BE HAPPENING!... THAT'S TOO MUCH, TO THINK I WAS WORRIED SICK OVER THIS MATTER!...
I FAINTED FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MY LIFE THAT DAY.

...
SORRY FOR ALL THE TROUBLE I CAUSED
NO... I SHOULD BE THE ONE APOLOGIZING
HE IS ALWAYS LIKE THAT!
True
THAT'S WHY... I WONDERED HOW HIS SISTER MIGHT TURN OUT TO BE...
ON THE PHONE LAST NIGHT
I THOUGHT THAT IT'LL HELP YOU BOTH IN UNDERSTANDING EACH OTHER!
THAT'S RIGHT, I TOLD HIM THAT YOU WERE THE PRINCESS BEFOREHAND AND ASKED HIM TO KEEP IT A SECRET TOO
So how was it?
HAHAHAHA
EXPLODES
NO!
MY BROTHER MUST HAVE BEEN THE MASTERMIND BEHIND ALL THESE!
No wonder he almost so easily

IN THE END, SHE TURNED OUT TO BE A WEIRD PERSON TOO!
FIRMLY
PRINCE RONALD, YOU ARE TOO STRAIGHT FORWARD!
BUT,
IT'S GREAT THAT I'VE MADE THIS TRIP!
BECAUSE I'VE LEARNT NOT TO BELIEVE IN RUMORS EASILY EVER AGAIN!
THANK YOU.
YOU ARE WILING TO GO TO THE DANGEROUS-AND UNPREDICTABLE ELDELA KINGDOM?
YO!
Ahaha!
THE NEXT TIME ROUND I'LL VISIT YOU!
AND THAT ONLY AFTER WE MET
THEN CAN WE REALLY UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER.

THAT'S RIGHT, I REALLY WANT TO ENTER THE REAL NATURAL WORLD,
TO MEET PRINCESS ROSE MARY!
I'LL BE WAITING!
THIS IS A STORY OF A PRINCE FROM A HIGH-TECH COUNTRY AND A PRINCESS FROM AN EVERGREEN COUNTRY,
SHIRANAI KUNI NO MONOGATARI...

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Chapter 2
Shiranai Kuni no Monogatari

This gift was included inside the magazine in order to celebrate this series. It was especially designed for a mirror that was to be given to the readers.

There was a pink and a blue version. Thanks to everyone who sent in letters to participate in the raffle.

PRINCE RONALD FROM THE PROSPEROUS KINGDOM OF ULYNIA, IS ACTUALLY CONSORTING WITH PRINCESS ROSEMARY FROM THAT BACKWATER AND IMPOVERISHED KINGDOM OF ELDELA, AND THEY'RE ENGAGED?!
SLAM
Oh...
DOES EVERYONE IN THE KINGDOM FEEL THIS WAY?
I'VE ALWAYS HAD A CRUSH ON THE PRINCE!
HE IS SO KNOWLEDGEABLE DISTANT AND RECLUSIVE. HOW DID IT END UP LIKE THIS?!
YES! HIS COLDNESS IS HIS GREATEST CHARM, WHY DID HE SUDDENLY...?
GET ENGAGED TO AN INSIGNIFICANT KINGDOM'S PRINCESS, RIGHT?
DO YOU WANT TO KNOW...
HOW MY SISTER OPENED UP THE PRINCE'S HEART?

Evergreen Country
Eldela Kingdom
PRINCE RONALD IS GOING TO ARRIVE AT ANY MOMENT!
Eldela City
Hours Open:
9:00AM~ 4:00PM
JILL, DOES THIS OUTFIT LOOK STRANGE?
VERY STRANGE!
HE SAID THAT AFTER THIS MEETING, OUR UPCOMING MARRIAGE WILL BE FORMALLY ANNOUNCED.
BUT, WHAT IF HE SUDDENLY CHANGES HIS MIND? WHAT SHALL WE DO THEN?
Eldela Kingdom
First Princess
Rosemary (16)
That's right!
THERE WILL COME A DAY WHEN YOU WON'T HAVE TO DO THINGS LIKE THIS!
BUT IF I DON'T DO ANYTHING, I'LL GET REALLY AGITATED!
MORE IMPORTANTLY, YOU SHOULD STOP BAGGING THE BREAD!

BRO-
THER.
YOUR COMPARISON IS OFF!
I'm a princess, and you're a prince!
WHEN YOU RESCUE THIS SMALL, POOR COUNTRY THAT IS SOLELY DEPENDENT ON TOURISM
YOU WILL BECOME THE SECOND CINDERELLA!
YOUR PARTNER IS A PRINCE FROM A WEALTHY KINGDOM!
Eldela Kingdom
First Prince
Matthew (19)
FIRST AND FORE-MOST, DON'T LET YOUR FIANCE BREAK THE MARRIAGE CONTRACT!
WELL, HE ACCEPTED YOU EVEN WHEN YOU SNUCK INTO HIS CASTLE AS A MAID. SO, NO NEED TO WORRY, RIGHT?
WEREN'T YOU THE ONE WHO PLANNED ALL THIS, BROTHER?
BESIDES I'M ALWAYS IN THE CASTLE'S GARDEN HELPING THE MAIDS SELL BREAD
YOU ARE NORMALLY IN THE STREETS ACTING AS A TOUR GUIDE THESE ARE THINGS THAT WE LIKE TO DO!
But we're just that kind of kingdom.
Time's errum
Welcome
Diligent Royalty
Eldela City
Park Open to the Public
(Accepting Tickets)

That's right. A few months ago, my brother set up an arranged marriage for me...
The agricultural country of Eldela is the exact opposite of the high-tech Kingdom of Ulynia, where my fiance Prince Ronald is from.
It's rumored that he's cold, stubborn, and that his personality is strange.
So, in total, I was going to reject the marriage
My brother insisted that I meet him in person. Therefore, I disguised myself as a maid to observe him.
After I wreck this engagement I'll go home!
Why do I have to marry him?
Hmff
I'm not a child anymore. You don't have to wake me up in two hours.
Very well, Your Highness.
Deliver this for me!
Oh, WHAT?
During that time, I couldn't stand taking care of him.
Sorry.
Eh-Eh!
I CREATED PROBLEMS FOR YOU!
It's as I found out that the rumors weren't true.
He's actually a very straightforward person.
THEN AFTER SEEING THE PRINCE'S SMILE
I UNKNOWINGLY BEGAN TO LIKE HIM EVEN MORE
Thinking of the kids
THE PRINCE ALREADY KNEW THAT I WAS A PRINCESS
AND HAD STARTED TO DEVELOP AN INTEREST IN ME
My personality is even stranger than him!

ALTHOUGH MY FEELINGS TOWARD YOU HAVE CHANGED AND I'VE STARTED TO TAKE AN INTEREST IN YOU AS A WOMAN
HE HASN'T TOLD ME WHETHER HIS FEELINGS HAVE DEEPENED BEYOND THAT
BUT
NEXT TIME, I'LL VISIT YOU!
MY NAME IS MAY PLEASE TAKE CARE OF ME..
EVEN THOUGH THIS IS SUDDEN, LET ME INTRODUCE EVERYONE TO THE NEW APPRENTICE MAID
11 YEARS OLD..
BUT I DON'T THINK MY AGE WILL BE A PROBLEM, PRINCESS ROSEMARY
EH?
Prince Matthew why haven't I heard about this?
How cute~ Please take care of me as well!
MAY HOW OLD ARE YOU?

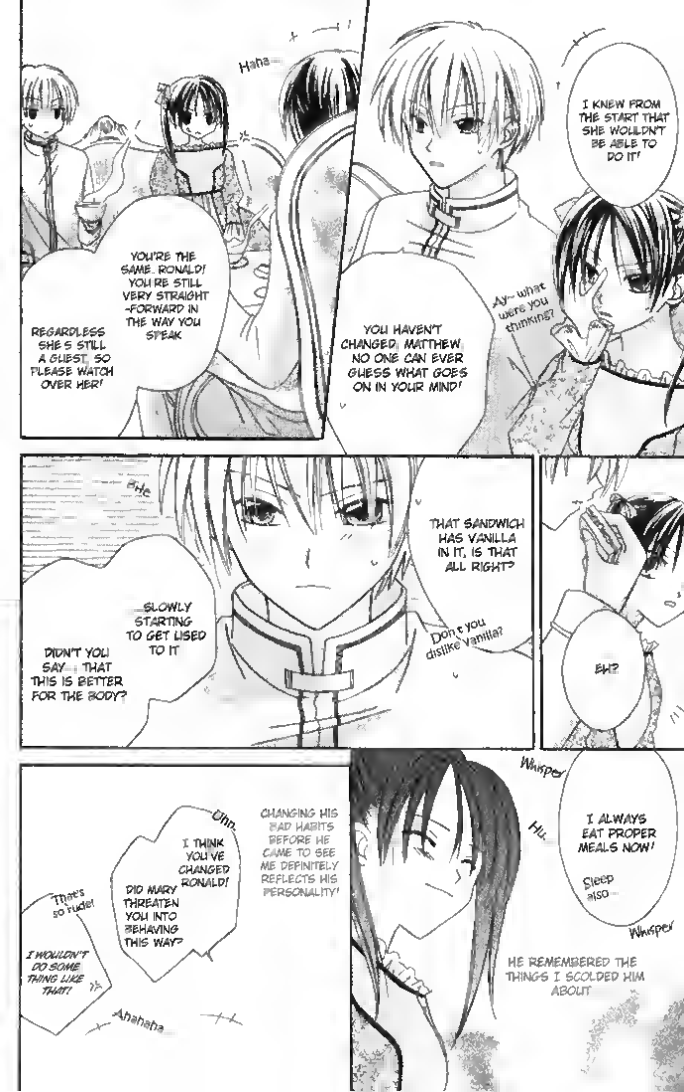
PRINCE RONALD HAS ARRIVED!
Meanwhile,
Ulyria Kingdom
Second Prince
Ronald 17th
WELCOME TO ELDELA, PRINCE RONALD.
PLEASE ENJOY YOURSELF!

How many months has it been since we last met?
Pa-dum!
Pa-dum!
Pa-dum!
WAAAH IT REALLY IS HIM!
My gosh
My gosh
Pa-dump
Pa-dump
I'M VERY SORRY BUT I NEED TO ATTEND A MEETING
MATTHEW, PLEASE ATTEND TO HIM
LONG TIME NO SEE! WELCOME

...NICE TO MEET YOU, PRINCESS ROSEMARY
EH AH
NICE TO MEET YOU!
Oh yeah, this is my first time meeting him as a princess!
LONG
LONG TIME NO SEE
BLUSH
Ah
Sorry!
IT SHOULD BE LONG TIME NO SEE!
I'VE KEPT MY PROMISE TO COME AND FIND YOU

Yes!
JILL, MAY CARRY THE PRINCE'S LUGGAGE!
LET ME ESCORT YOU TO YOUR ROOM!
We meet again
THIS IS HIS HIGHNESS' ENTOURAGE: HIS MAID, MARIE AND GENERAL AFFAIRS OFFICER, DEREK.
MARIE? I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU IN A WHILE!
Is it that heavy?
MAY?
Shake
Shake
PRINCE MATTHEW!
I AM UNABLE TO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF A MAID!
SLAM
I AM THE SECOND PRINCESS OF THE DELLAS KINGDOM, MELINA!

EH?
PRW_
CESS?
YOU WANTED ME TO ACT AS A MAID, TO A MAID...
*A BUNCH OF PEOPLE A-RUSHING FORWARD...
FWF
AH AH!
WHAT'S FROM DELLAS WHERE THEY ALL COME FROM?
PRINCESS MELINA!
YOU COULDN'T EVEN ENDURE HALF A DAY!
BROTHER!
TWO DAYS AGO, I WENT TO THE UNIVERSITY OF THE KINGDOM OF DELLAS FOR AN INTERVIEW.
PRINCESS MELINA SAID THAT SHE COULDN'T ACCEPT YOU... ENGAGEMENT...
IT SEEMS THAT SHE HAS ALWAYS SECRETLY ADMIRED THE COOL AND HANDSOME RONALD.
SHE SAID THAT NO MATTER WHAT, SHE WANTED TO MEET HIM.
THAT'S WHY I SUGGESTED THAT SHE USE ROSEMARY'S STRATEGY.


Haha
YOU'RE THE SAME, RONALD! YOU'RE STILL VERY STRAIGHT-FORWARD IN THE WAY YOU SPEAK
REGARDLESS SHE'S STILL A GUEST, SO PLEASE WATCH OVER HER!
I KNEW FROM THE START THAT SHE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO DO IT!
Ah~ what were you thinking?
YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED, MATTHEW. NO ONE CAN EVER GUESS WHAT GOES ON IN YOUR MIND!
Phe
THAT SANDWICH HAS VANILLA IN IT, IS THAT ALL RIGHT?
Don't you dislike Vanilla?
SLOWLY STARTING TO GET USED TO IT
DIDN'T YOU SAY... THAT THIS IS BETTER FOR THE BODY?
EH?
Whisper
I ALWAYS EAT PROPER MEALS NOW!
Sleep miso~
Whisper
HE REMEMBERED THE THINGS I SCOLDED HIM ABOUT
CHANGING HIS BAD HABITS BEFORE HE CAME TO SEE ME DEFINITELY REFLECTS HIS PERSONALITY!
Umm...
I THINK YOU'VE CHANGED RONALD!
DID MARY THREATEN YOU INTO BEHAVING THIS WAY?
There's so rude!
I WOULDN'T DO SOME THING LIKE THAT!
Ahahaha

NOT AT ALL! I SHOULD APOLOGIZE FOR THE EMBARRASSMENT YOU ENDURED DUE TO MY GENERAL AFFAIRS OFFICER
MY BROTHER THOUGHT UP SOME STRANGE IDEAS AGAIN, I'M REALLY SORRY!
BUT!
IF MARY IS WITH HIM, THERE SHOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM, GENERAL AFFAIRS OFFICER.
DO YOU WANT TO PLAY GOOSEBERRY?
I DON'T... I MEAN IT THAT IS A HEAVY PRINCE MATTHEW!
I want to take the prince on a tour of the familiar tourist areas!
EH? THAT'S RIGHT.
This is not possible...
I NEED TO GO WITH YOU!
THERE'S NO NEED FOR YOU TO COME WITH US!
OH, YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THAT.
YOU TWO ARE GOING OUT ALONE! YOU'RE GOING WITHOUT BODYGUARDS!
**SPEAKING IN THE DIRECT TRANSLATION ABOVE IS "I'M NOT NAMI 1 BE THE LIGHTGOLF" WHICH MEANS "I BE THE WINNER" / "PERSON IN BETWEEN 2 PEOPLE"
I DON'T LIKE THE FEELING OF SOMEONE ALWAYS WATCHING ME.
DEREK IS MY BROTHER'S GENERAL AFFAIRS OFFICER...
EH? BUT LAST TIME, YOU DIDN'T BRING ANY BODYGUARDS!
IN LLYNA, DO ROYALS ONLY GO OUT WHEN ACCOMPANIED BY GUARDS?
Stranger?

Ah, yeah!
PRINCESS MELINA RARELY COMES TO VISIT. WHY DON'T WE TAKE HER OUT FOR SOME FUN?
SHE'S A GUEST, SO WE NEED TO SHOW HER AROUND!
Unhappy
DURING THIS VISIT, HE'S IN CHARGE OF MONITORING ME
Sparkle
NO, THANK YOU.
BESIDES THAT, WHY IS THERE A CONSTANT FLOW OF PEOPLE COMING IN AND OUT OF THE PALACE?
I CAN'T WALK THE STREETS LIKE A COMMONER!
IN MY KINGDOM, WE RIDE IN CARS!
Those tourists!

Something like this happened
Hunuhu
BUT, PRINCE RONALD SAID SOMETHING LIKE THAT BEFORE
LET'S NOT MENTION THAT! JUST CALL ME MARY!
I'VE ALREADY DONE MY RESEARCH! I HOPE YOUR COMMENTARY WILL INCREASE MY KNOWLEDGE
I'll be counting on you
Just call me Ronald, Rosemary
SLAM
"To protect the environment, we try our best not to use cars!
WHAT KIND OF ATTITUDE IS THAT? SHE DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT MY KINGDOM!
BEFORE COMING HERE, SHE SHOULD HAVE INVESTIGATED EVERYTHING THOROUGHLY!
Isn't she the princess of a kingdom known for their academics?
Princess Mary, did you bring a guest?
Yup! Granny, what's wrong with your foot?
Wow...
LET'S GO TO THAT COFFEE HOUSE NEXT FOR SOME CAKE!
It seems that our Kingdom's famous, too!
Please accept this flower!

AT THE PORT—
Quickly!
If we're do if our festival deserve have if reserve? eh? Isn't that right Princess Mary?
AT THE COFFEE HOUSE
Is this your guess? This is a special gift- Princess Mary?
Wha-?
AT THE PARK—
Hurry hurry
Eh?
Let's take a picture as a souvenir
SMILE!
THIS CITY IS GREAT!
It's very welcoming
That's great!
THANK YOU! ♡
YOU KNOW A LOT OF PEOPLE!
IT'S A SMALL KINGDOM SO EVERYONE'S FAMILIAR WITH EACH OTHER!
We made our friends quickly didn't we?
WHEN I SEE HIS SMILE I BECOME SO HAPPY!
I REALLY DO LIKE HIM

PRINCE RONALD! I'VE COME HERE ESPECIALLY TO VISIT YOU.
I WANT TO HEAR SOME NEWS THAT IS RELATED TO LILYNIA!
PRINCE RONALD, I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU FOR A LONG TIME
I NEED TO GIVE YOU MY REPORT REGARDING MY DAILY ROUNDS.
Ron
IN MY KINGDOM, PRINCESSES AREN'T ALLOWED TO VENTURE OUT ALONE.
YOU'RE ALREADY ENGAGED TO HIS HIGHNESS. SO YOU SHOULD OBEY OUR RULES REGARDING A PRINCESS' BEHAVIOR.
ALSO, I NEED TO REMIND YOU, PRINCESS ROSEMARY.
TURN

Oh wow...
How cool!
PRINCESS MELINA,
COMPARED TO YOUR KONWLEDGE OF ULYNIA, SHOULDN'T YOU TRY TO UNDERSTAND MORE ABOUT ELDELA?
DEREK!
RIGHT AWAY!
DON'T YOU NEED TO GIVE ME YOUR REPORT?
Ah...
SINCE YOU'RE GETTING MARRIED TO PRINCE RONALD SHOULDN'T YOU GO READ SOME MORE BOOKS?
IN MY KINGDOM, THIS IS BASIC EDUCATION FOR A PRINCESS!
(Eh? Really?
OH YEAH, PRINCESS ROSEMARY DO YOU KNOW ABOUT PRINCE RONALD'S RESEARCH?
Why did you suddenly ask that?
UHN... I HEARD THAT IT WAS ULYNIA'S CITY PLAN
I think so
I'm not deaf...
EH!
THAT'S NOT...
What does that mean?
DID YOU READ HIS LATEST RESEARCH PAPER?
ARE YOU INTERESTED IN URBAN ARCHI-TECTURE?

WHO CARES WHAT COUNTRY I'M FROM.
OR WHAT MY KINGDOM HAS THIS IS ELDELA!
I JUST DON'T GIVE OFF THE FEELING OF A PRINCESS!
HOHO
HOHO
THOSE
I'M GOING TO TAKE MY LEAVE NOW
WHAT DID THOSE TWO MEAN BY THAT?
THEY'RE SAYING THAT I HAVE NO RIGHT TO BE HIS BRIDE!
IT APPEARS THAT WHEN I'M WITH HIM.
WE DON'T MATCH.
THAT'S THE WAY I AM.
THEN, WHAT DOES RONALD THINK?

I want to ask him,
EH? HE CAN'T SEE ANYONE?
PRINCE RONALD IS CURRENTLY ON A BUSINESS CALL
It will take a while.
and I want to speak with him,
About your report
DON'T BOTHER ME I'LL GET DISTRACTED
CAN I SEE WHAT YOU LOOK LIKE WHEN YOU'RE WORKING?
Prince!
but there's always someone there to interrupt us.
YOU CANNOT GO OUT ALONE!
THIS TIME I MUST ACCOMPANY YOU!
We cannot be alone no matter what.
HE DOESN'T SMILE FOR ME ANYMORE
Ohh
I REALLY WANT TO CRY...

Library
ISN'T THERE A LIBRARY SEARCH ENGINE HERE?
It's a shame since the library is so large
There just isn't one!
I'LL GO TRY TO FIND SOMONE TO HELP US
THIS WAY I CAN SNEAK OFF AND FIND MARY—
IF IT CONTINUES LIKE THIS I HAD MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO SPEAK WITH HIM WHEN I WAS PRETENDING TO BE A MAID!
I'LL HELP YOU OUT!
PRINCE RONALD, WHO'S OVER THERE?
DONK
Ah ha
I'LL PRETEND TO BE MARY THE MAID AGAIN

I ACTUALLY DID THE SAME STUPID THING TWICE.
I REALLY NEED TO THINK THESE THINGS OVER
I thought it was a good idea
YOU ALWAYS SEEM TO EXCEED MY EXPECTATIONS!
You scared me
SORRY
turn
OH THIS MAID WILL HELP ME WITH THE MATERIAL!
BUT
WHY DON'T YOU STAY OVER THERE!
Since I'll just be inside the building
DO AS I SAY!

THAT'S GREAT
Pfft
AHH
BUT THIS IS SO LIKE YOU!
IT'S BECAUSE YOU DO THINGS LIKE THIS THAT MAKES LIFE MORE MEANINGFUL!

SORRY. WHEN I SAW YOU SMILE I BECAME REALLY HAPPY...
BECAUSE YOUR MOOD HASN'T BEEN GOOD IN THE PAST COUPLE OF DAYS
???
MARY?
I'M USUALLY LIKE THIS IF THERE ISN'T A REASON.
WHY SHOULD I SMILE LIKE AN ANGEL?
...I ALMOST FORGOT HE WAS THIS KIND OF PERSON...

WOW... I FEEL EVEN HAPPIER~
EH? THEN WHY IS IT THAT HE SMILES SO OFTEN WHEN HE'S ALONE?
BUT, IT'S TRUE THAT MY MOOD HASN'T BEEN GREAT LATELY.
THAT'S BECAUSE I COULDN'T HAVE A DECENT CONVERSATION WITH YOU...

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In the following I'm going to tell you a little about myself

My pen name is Kawase Natsuha

(Natsuha" is a word that comes from the plum season It was supposed to give off a summertime feeling with a Japanese flavor?) That's the reason I chose it. There really isn't any special meaning as to why I chose it. I

I was born on September 26th my blood type is O I'm a Virgo My eyesight is very bad My teeth are in good condition but I had one cavity last year

Since I got my first cavity at such a late age—I did not discover it until it was too late It ended up hurting a lot.

I told the dentist, "I thought I would never get a cavity." The dentist smiled and replied "If you're human...then you'll get a cavity."

When I told my friend she just laughed for a long time Getting a cavity is a very scary thing

YOU CAN TELL!
Smile
THAT'S BECAUSE I CAN ONLY SEE YOU...
He smiled...
DOES HE KNOW THAT I'M WEAKENED BY HIS SMILES...
LET'S JUST SAY, YOU HAVEN'T BEEN SMILING FROM YOUR HEART!
HURRY UP AND HIDE I DON'T THINK WE CAN DO THAT
THERE'S NO PLACE TO HIDE!
Prince Ronald
Where are you...?
TAP
THERE'S A SOUND...
QUIET!
PRINCE RONALD! I HEARD THAT YOU WERE OVER HERE...

MELINA...
PRINCESS ROSEMARY! WHY ARE YOU DRESSED LIKE THAT?
IT WAS BECAUSE WE DIDN'T GET ANY CHANCES TO BE ALONE! MARY CAME UP WITH THIS GREAT PLAN TO FIX THAT!
You don't have to say it so proudly, right?
THIS IS TOO OUTRAGEOUS! EVEN IF YOU'RE JOKING AROUND, YOU SHOULDN'T TAKE IT THIS FAR!
PRINCE RONALD! DON'T YOU HAVE ANY OBJECTIONS?
I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYTHING WRONG WITH IT!
Ah... Ah...

SLAM!
Ah
THAT'S NOT GOOD! THAT WAY LEADS TO AN UNGUARDED AREA THAT DOESN'T HAVE A BORDER!
dash
Ah! MELINA, WAIT!
How you know!
AAARGH
You're both really weird!
MARY!
RONALD, YOUR TONE SHOULD HAVE BEEN A LITTLE KINDER!
I'M GLAD THAT YOU'RE ON MY SIDE, BUT
IF SHE'S ALONE,
SHE'LL DEFINITELY GET LOST!
MARY, SHE'S ALSO VERY UNKIND TO YOU!
EVEN THOUGH MELINA IS SMALL AND MISCHIEVIOUS, SHE IS STILL ONLY 11 YEARS OLD, AFTER ALL!
SHE'S NOT AS STRONG AS I AM!

I'M GOING NOW!
IF SHE'S ALONE INSIDE A STRANGE CASTLE, SHE'LL DEFINITELY BE FRIGHTENED
TURN
TWP
MARY, LISTEN TO ME!
NO MATTER WHAT KIND OF PERSON SOMEONE IS, YOU'LL STILL TRY TO HELP THEM.
SWIP
AND, THAT'S WHY I LIKE YOU!

ELDELA CITY TOURISM BUREAU
I'll give this to you as a souvenir!
Do you [illegible] a map?
Ah... uhh... but...
THERE'RE PICTURES ON THE TOURIST MAP. I'VE ALREADY STUDIED ALL THE PATHS IN THE CASTLE.
MAP
Eldela City
Scenography is my specialty
I'LL COME TOO. IF WE BOTH SEARCH, IT'LL BE QUICKER!
NO PROBLEM!
THEN I'LL LEAVE THAT AREA TO YOU
STENO-GRAPHY!
There's such a specialty
TAP TAP TAP TAP TAP
UUUWAH WHAT DID HE JUST SAY!
THUMP THUMP THUMP
THAT'S THE FIRST TIME I HEARD HIM SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT!
MELINA WHERE ARE YOU?
I ALSO WANTED TO ASK HIM ABOUT OTHER THINGS BUT NOW ISN'T THE TIME!

I'VE FOUND HER!
I'LL HELP YOU GET IT OUT. DON'T MOVE!
I BET THAT WHEN YOU WERE PASSING BY, YOUR HAIR GOT CAUGHT IN THE TREE BRANCH, RIGHT? THIS HAPPENED TO ME BEFORE TOO
Fumble
OKAY, I GOT IT OUT!
Limp Limp
EH? DID YOU TWIST YOUR ANKLE? THERE'S A STEEP HILL HERE. IT'S EASY TO TRIP
SIT DOWN, I'LL HELP YOU TIE YOUR HAIR
Good thing I brought my comb...

MELINA,
LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING
WHEN YOU'RE RUNNING AROUND OUTSIDE IT'LL BE EASIER IF YOU TIE YOUR HAIR UP!
LIKE THIS
Are braids okay?
I DO ALMOST EVERYTHING BY MYSELF
PRINCESS ROSEMARY!
YOU WEAR SOMETHING LIKE THAT. DO THINGS LIKE THIS
YOU'RE EXACTLY LIKE A REAL MAID
It's too strange!
Archie
AHA HA!
THAT'S TRUE!

Here, let me do the other side.
MELINA, LET'S DECLARE A TRUCE!
YOU RARELY COME HERE SO I HOPE THAT YOU FEEL THE TRIP HERE WAS WORTH IT.
I ALSO HOPE THAT YOU WILL UNDERSTAND MORE ABOUT MY KINGDOM AND ME
THIS IS THE WAY THE PRINCESS OF ELDELA IS
Tie Tie
All done!
I SAID SO MANY OBNOXIOUS THINGS TO HER
MARY! MELINA!
Here
small voice
THANK YOU
THIS PERSON'S REALLY WEIRD

I BEHAVED TERRIBLY
MELINA
RONALD! OVER HERE!
You found her?
BE THE ONE SAYING SORRY...
NO I SHOULD
LOOK, RONALD!
I BRAIDED HER HAIR, ISN'T IT CUTE?
YOU SCARED HER!
I think you should...
TO BOTH OF YOU
Gosh
YOU'RE SO CUTE OF COURSE YOU'RE FORGIVEN!
hug
I've always wanted a little sister like this

PRINCESS MELINA!
WE WERE VERY WORRIED! DID YOU HURT YOURSELF?
You can put me down...
That's true
PRINCE RONALD! WE WERE LOOKING FOR YOU FOR A LONG TIME!
We have to hurry and treat the wound...

PRINCESS ROSEMARY!
WHY DID YOU DRESS UP LIKE THAT... PLEASE THINK ABOUT YOUR REPUTATION!
OUR KINGDOM DOESN'T ALLOW SUCH...
UGH
YOU SHOULDN'T BULLY SOMEONE THIS MUCH DEREK!
MARY IS...
NO MATTER HOW SHE'S DRESSED, PRINCESS ROSEMARY IS STILL HER KINGDOM'S PRINCESS!
EVEN I HAVE REALIZED THIS,
CAN'T YOU SEE IT YET?

I THINK THAT THE TWO OF YOU...
WERE CREATED TO BE TOGETHER!
THANK YOU, MELINA
EH? YOU'RE GOING HOME?

I KNOW I CAN'T COMPARE TO PRINCESS ROSEMARY,
AND I DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO BE A MAID!
?
BUT ISN'T THIS ABILITY NOT NEEDED?
YES, I WON'T OBJECT TO YOUR RELATIONSHIP ANYMORE.
Eh?
BUT, DOESN'T PRINCE RONALD LIKE MAIDS?
Someone said so.
?!
MELINA
Brothers! You'd better come out here right now!
I BET IT'S MATTHEW!
WHO'S SPREADING THIS RUMOR?!

Brother! Don't hide!
PRINCESS ROSEMARY IS A REALLY FUN PERSON!
SHE'S COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM WHAT I IMAGINED.
MARY'S ABILITIES AS A MAID ISN'T THE REASON THAT I LIKE HER.
He he
I KNOW!
YOU CAN'T JUDGE WHO THEY REALLY ARE AFTER MEETING MARY. I'VE COME TO UNDERSTAND THIS CONCEPT
IF YOU HAVEN'T MET SOMEONE — OR TRIED TO UNDERSTAND THEM,
PRINCESS ROSEMARY!
Is it that obvious?
But only in front of Princess Rosemary
PRINCE RONALD IS ALSO COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM THE RUMORS
YOU'RE ACTUALLY A PERSON THAT REALLY LIKES TO LAUGH!

I DON'T HATE YOU! SO—
I'M GOING TO COME BACK AND PLAY!
BYE BYE
Oh wow
WHEN SHE SMILES, SHE'S SO CUTE!
YOU, TOO

EH?
I HOPE THAT THE PEOPLE WE LOVE WILL ALWAYS KEEP SMILING
BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT MAKES A PERSON HAPPIEST
You, too!

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I REALLY HATE MY KINGDOM!
BUT I ADMIRE YOURS ALSO. I THINK THAT YOU WILL PROBABLY GET ALONG VERY WELL WITH MY SISTER, RIGHT?
A few months ago, Prince Matthew paid an unexpected visit to the Ulynia Kingdom ..
and proposed a ridiculous suggestion
WILL YOU CONSIDER MARRYING MY SISTER?
Think it over a bit!
Ah?
I was suspicious of his intentions...
At the moment,
I am currently visiting the Eldela Kingdom...
IT'S THANKS TO MELINA THAT WE CAN HAVE TEA TOGETHER LIKE THIS!

AND YOU ALSO CHANGED MINE
YOU CHANGED MELINA'S OPINION.
NO... THIS IS THANKS TO YOUR HARD WORK.
BUT, DEREK IS PROBABLY VERY ANGRY!
Hehe

During my time here, my feelings for Mary have gotten deeper.
but...
TH THANK YOU.
is actually very happy
COUGH COUGH
PRINCESS ROSEMARY
Whisper
MARY TOWARDS ME
THEN...
Whisper
PLEASE ENTER!

OH! PRINCE EUGENE'S HERE! HOW IS THAT POSSIBLE?
turn
LIM PRINCE EUGENE HAS JUST ARRIVED...
This is very unexpected
Open
Ah
RONALD, EXCUSE ME BUT I NEED TO LEAVE FOR A MINUTE!

I really .. can't figure this out.
LET ME INTRODUCE YOU, THIS IS PRINCE EUGENE FROM THE RALIFF KINGDOM!
PISSED OFF
WHAT KIND OF PERSON IS PRINCE EUGENE?
I don't know what she thinks of me....
What does she like about me?
Not only Mary, but there's also Matthew you consider
...

WHEN HE WAS YOUNG, PRINCE EUGENE OFTEN VISITED TO PLAY WITH ME!
HELLO, PRINCE RONALD
NICE TO MEET YOU.
FOLLOWER
THE RALIFF KINGDOM... I'VE HEARD THAT IT IS A KINGDOM FAMOUS FOR ARTS AND MUSIC
IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE YOUR LAST VISIT
DID YOU COME TO GIVE YOUR BLESSING FOR MARY'S ENGAGEMENT?
I CONSIDER MARY AS ONE OF MY SISTERS
OH, I HAVE A PRESENT FOR YOU
Eh? What is it?
For me?
WA

BROTHER! THIS JOKE HAS GONE TOO FAR!
I'D RATHER HAVE EUGENE PLAY THE PIANO FOR ME!
Ahahaha! It really was a joke!
NO ONE WOULD THINK IT WAS TRUE RIGHT?
And, you even went along with that joke
TA-DA
THIS IS MY KINGDOM'S MAID UNIFORM!
I HEARD THAT YOU TWO LIKE TO PLAY AROUND WITH THINGS LIKE THIS!
Matthew told so
Sparkle
!
PRINCE EUGENE PLAYS THE PIANO VERY WELL!
I TOOK LESSONS BEFORE, BUT I WAS TOO LAZY TO PRACTICE!
He wasn't gone before I quit.
UHM, THAT DEFINITELY SOUNDS LIKE SOMETHING YOU'D DO...
Hey being that honest hurts people's feelings~
Sorry
C'mon!
Eugene, I want to hear!
NOT RIGHT NOW

TP TP TP
PRINCE RONALD
I HAVEN'T PLAYED FOR SO LONG, MY FINGERS ARE STIFF NOW!
I DO WANT TO DRINK SOME TEA THAT'S BEEN PREPARED BY MARY... THOUGH...
Hehe
Eh That's too bad
UHN THEN I'LL GO PREPARE SOME TEA!
MARY'S A GOOD GIRL, ISN'T SHE?
SHE'S WARM TO "EVERYONE!"
She is a little nosy though...
Oh... SO IT'S LIKE THAT.
Now there's some meaning to this
Ha Ha
PRINCE EUGENE LACKS GOOD MANNERS!

Pat
SAYING SUCH THINGS IS VERY ILL-MANNERED!
IT'S TRUE,
PLAYING A JOKE ON A PRINCE FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY UPON MEETING HIM FOR THE FIRST TIME
PRINCESS ROSEMARY OFTEN LOSES HER TEMPER IN FRONT OF OTHERS THAT'S ALSO VERY BAD BEHAVIOR
BUT
Write Write
DEREK!
BUT THOSE TWO MATCH EACH OTHER. THEIR RELATIONSHIP IS VERY GOOD, TOO...
ON THE OTHER HAND,
COMPARED TO THE STINGY LILYNIAN PRINCE
PRINCE EUGENE WHO HAS BEEN WITH MARY SINCE SHE WAS YOUNG, IS MORE SUITABLE FOR HER.
A LOVER WHO IS CLOSED IN AND ISOLATED
IS NOT SUITABLE FOR MARY
Shaa

IT'LL MELT IN THE AFTERNOON THAT'S WHY I RUSHED TO BRING YOU HERE!
UHH... IT'S MY FIRST TIME SEEING THIS
Come quickly
IS THIS YOUR FIRST TIME SEEING IT?
Hehe I really wanted you to see this!
He
Scrape Scrape
ALL THE WATER IN THE POND IS FROZEN!
THEY JUST CAN'T ACCEPT WHAT I SAY.
I'M SORRY.
BUT, DEREK JUST MADE ANOTHER FACE AT ME
Haha I'm seeing more and more used to it!
YET HE DOESN'T TRY TO UNDERSTAND MY THOUGHTS
HE SAYS THAT THERE'S NO BENEFIT TO THIS.
MY BROTHER DOESN'T APPROVE OF THIS ENGAGEMENT
THEY?

REALLY?
Thump
RONALD, YOU ARE UNEXPECTEDLY STUPID!
Sorry, I accidentally overheard
EUGENE!
DID YOU TRY YOUR BEST TO PERSUADE THEM? YOU CAN WRITE LONG SCHOLARLY ARTICLES...
YET YOU CAN'T MAKE YOUR FAMILY UNDERSTAND YOUR THOUGHTS?
Angry
I HAVEN'T GIVEN UP....
MARY WAS ABLE TO HELP PERSUADE MELINA TO ACCEPT OUR FEELINGS.
THEREFORE, I ALSO NEED TO MAKE DEREK UNDERSTAND...
OH YEAH, WHAT KIND OF PERSON IS DEREK IN PRIVATE?
EH...? THAT...
I'm not really clear on that...
I'VE THOUGHT OF IMPROVING OUR RELATIONSHIP.
BUT IT'S HARD BECAUSE WE DON'T UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER!
We at least need some common conversation topics

THAT'S RIGHT!
YOU REALLY HAVE A KNACK FOR HANDLING THESE THINGS!
OH YEAH
EH?
WHAT?
?
TYPE TYPE TYPE
STARE
IS THERE A REASON WHY YOU CAME TO LOOK FOR ME?
I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND,
I'M JUST OBSERVING YOU.
SIGH
EXCUSE ME— I FRINGE RONALD—

I ONLY WANTED TO HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH YOU.
Can you not think so negatively?
WHAT ARE YOUR INTENTIONS?
TYPE
AH, TELL ME A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF!
BESIDES THE INFORMATION I ALREADY HAVE ON THE COMPUTER, ANYTHING ELSE IS FINE!
HOW IS IT POSSIBLE THAT I WOULDN'T MIND?
OUR OPINIONS ARE ALWAYS VERY DIFFERENT
BUT WE'VE NEVER THOUGHT OF TRYING TO UNDERSTAND OUR DIFFERENCES RIGHT?
LET'S HAVE A GOOD DISCUSSION ABOUT THIS!
SO LET'S BACK OFF A BIT AND LISTEN TO EACH OTHERS OPINIONS!
AT THIS RATE, MY BROTHER'S REACTION TO THAT REPORT IS VERY PREDICTABLE

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I like libraries. Whenever I go to a place that has lots of books, I get really excited.
(I really like bookstores too.)
I go to the public library nearby to borrow books a lot. Whenever I go, I always spend almost half the day there.
From children's books to professional ones, whatever genre the book is, I always pick them up and flip through them.
Recently, as reference for my manga, I borrowed some European Tourist books to help evoke feeling. When I borrowed them, the librarian said to me
Are you going to Europe? I'm an Iea oust
Check Out Desk
"No, No... hahaha" I didn't explain any further. After an awkward laugh, I left. I actually really want to go
LOOKING AT SOMEONE'S SHOCKED FACE IS A LOT OF FUN!
DOING SOMETHING STRANGE ONCE IN A WHILE IS REALLY WORTH IT
MASTER DEREK WAS SO SHOCKED THAT HE COULDN'T REPLY
MARY'S FRIEND
IT DOESN'T MATTER IF MASTER DEREK CHANGES BUT THIS CONTINUES
MARY'S GOING TO END UP VERY UNHAPPY!
She's the kind of person that looks down upon other people!
I WILL CHANGE HIS MIND
I NEED TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE THE REPORT SOUND FAVORABLE TO MY CIRCUMSTANCES
THAT WAY I'LL HAVE A BETTER CHANCE OF PERSUADING MY FATHER!
IF I CAN'T DO THIS
I DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE WITH MARY

So
You don't have a girlfriend?
Sorry, but I can't accompany you today Mary
Do you have to work?
Prince really likes sweet things
It's really good
This hand-brewed tea is Mary's specialty
Honey
Tastes too much
A lot
What do you think of this?
You're working so hard!
What do you want with all these books?
Maria, please pour a cup of tea for me
What do you want to drink, Derek?
But you're asking me?
Then I'll just have a cup of ginger tea
Oh~
You don't like sweet things?
No, I kind of like them
Let's have a cup of honey ginger tea
Maria!
Derek!
Do you have any opinion this?
Come over here and look for a second
I don't think there're any problems in general.
But, from now on, you should make your own decisions, Prince Ronald.
You don't have to ask for my opinion on everything
Yes!
That's because I keep bombarding him with questions!
Master Derek doesn't nag as much as before!

IF I SNEAK AROUND WITH MARY BEFORE GETTING DEREK'S APPROVAL I'LL FEEL BAD FOR HER
BUT,
YOU REJECTED PRINCESS MARY'S INVITATION, IS THAT OKAY?
ALSO, EUGENE IS VISITING RIGHT NOW,
MARY SHOULDN'T CARE IF I'M THERE, RIGHT?
AWW AWW
BECAUSE EUGENE IS ALWAYS STICKING TO HER SIDE!
THE PRINCE IS JEALOUS!
It's my first time seeing this!
DID I DO SOMETHING WRONG?

IT'S PROBABLY BECAUSE THEY'RE THINKING OF US, RIGHT?
Why?
AH, BUT IT'S TRUE. IT'S BECAUSE YOU WERE SO NOSY!
Is he polite to me?
IT'S BECAUSE YOU DID SOMETHING IMPOLITE TO HIM
Don't follow me anymore, I'm sorry
Ahhhhhh

Huh?
I ONLY HAVE A LITTLE LEFT, I WANT TO FINISH IT IN ONE SITTING!
WHAT? SO YOU ACTUALLY HAVE SOME SYMPATHY FOR US?
This documents
EH? DID YOU DECLINE TODAY TOO?
...YOU SHOULD AT LEAST ACCOMPANY HER FOR A BIT
THANK YOU

EH? TODAY, TOO?
PRINCESS MARY,
PRINCE RONALD WANTS TO MAKE HIS BROTHER UNDERSTAND HIS ABILITIES.
HE'S CURRENTLY WORKING VERY HARD ON A REPORT.
Uuu...
So that's the way it is...
He came anyway
I THINK PRINCE RONALD HAS SOME ABILITIES THAT EXCEED OTHERS
THEN, DO YOU ACKNOWLEDGE HIS ABILITIES?
Wow
SO RONALD IS PRETTY CAPABLE!
WHAT ABOUT YOU, MARY? CAN YOU ACCEPT THIS?
YEAH, BUT WHY DOES HE HAVE TO DO THIS NOW?
WHENEVER HE'S WORKING, IT'S LIKE HE'S NOT AWARE OF HIS SURROUNDINGS.
Walk
Walk
What am I to him?
Uuu...
Crest-fallen
This is why I like him!
He's a bookworm by nature
Derek just called the "Princess Mary". I see he was influenced by Ronald

K-t-chunk
K-t-chunk
K-t-chunk
Hm~

This is the third floor
KNOCK KNOCK
Good Evening~ Please open the window~
I CAME TO TELL YOU IF YOU LEAVE MARY ALONE AND DON'T CARE FOR HER, I'LL TAKE HER!
Lean
IF I CAME TO THE FRONT DOOR, YOU WOULDN'T LET ME IN RIGHT?
WHAT? YOU EVEN CLIMBED IN FROM THE BALCONY!
OPEN
That's really dangerous

BUT, YOU ARE VERY DIFFERENT FROM OTHER PEOPLE
IF IT WAS SOMEONE ELSE AND THEY KNEW MY INTENTIONS, THEY WOULD PROBABLY FOLLOW THE ONE THEY LOVE VERY CLOSELY, RIGHT?
Ah
I THINK YOU ALREADY KNOW, I REALLY LIKE MARY!
Smile
SO, WHEN I HEARD SHE WAS ENGAGED, I IMMEDIATELY RUSHED OVER
I THOUGHT THAT IF HER FIANCE WAS REALLY HORRIBLE I WOULD TAKE HER AWAY BY FORCE!
Hahaha, I'm really surprised
NOT ONLY DO YOU NOT CARE ABOUT MARY, YOU ONLY CARE ABOUT THE PEOPLE AROUND YOU
Do you mind what I'm saying?
I THINK YOU'RE VERY CAPABLE!
...SO, WHY DID YOU COME HERE, ANYWAY?
To give me pointers?
IT'S A WARNING!
BUT, I NEED TO TELL YOU WHAT MARY'S THOUGHTS ARE RIGHT NOW
YOU'LL BE VERY HAPPY WHEN YOU HEAR THEM

DIDN'T YOU SAY THAT YOU COULDN'T PLAY ANYMORE?
AH? THAT,
I WAS LYING! IT WAS BECAUSE I PROMISED A LONG TIME AGO THAT I WOULD ONLY PLAY FOR MARY TO HEAR.
If there were other people around, of course I wouldn't play.
IF YOU CONTINUE IGNORING MARY, I'LL START TO MAKE MY MOVE
I WILL PLAY THE PIANO, FOR SHE LOVES TO HEAR MY PLAYING THE MOST!
...BUT, MARY HAS FORGOTTEN THIS AGREEMENT
Grrr
He
Tense
Tense
Tense
BECAUSE, IT LOOKS LIKE YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND ANYTHING!
WELL, THAT'S ALL I WANTED TO SAY
WHY DID YOU GO OUT OF YOUR WAY TO COME HERE AND TALK ABOUT SOMETHING LIKE THIS?
YES!

IT'S BECAUSE MARY LIKES YOU!
OF COURSE I KNOW THAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND ANYTHING!
Stand up
IS THAT OKAY
blush
EH? ♡
GOING OUT ALONE, JUST THE TWO OF US!
Tap Tap
OKAY
WOW HE'S ACTING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT
OF COURSE! EUGENE I'M LEAVING!

Haha...
I DIDN'T STATE MY REASON FOR DECLINING YOUR INVITATIONS I'M SORRY
DEREK ACTUALLY CAME OUT TO EXPLAIN, IT SCARED ME TO DEATH!
AT FIRST, I THOUGHT IT WAS BECAUSE OF EUGENE!
I'M SO HAPPY!
Hehe...
HE'S THE KIND OF PERSON THAT'S ALWAYS TALKING NONSENSE!
HE DOES THINGS WITHOUT THINKING. I'M OFTEN BULLIED BY HIM!
HE LOOKS LIKE SUCH A FRAIL PERSON
AND...
I DON'T WANT TO HEAR ANYTHING RELATED TO EUGENE
MARY IS ONLY TALKING ABOUT HER CHILDHOOD PLAYMATE!
IS THIS KIND OF FEELING... JEALOUSY?

I'M NOT A GOOD MATCH FOR YOU, MARY
I'M ACTUALLY JEALOUS OVER SOMETHING LIKE THIS...
AH... SORRY...
RONALD?
EH? WHY, ALL OF A SUDDEN...
EUGENE IS A MORE APPROPRIATE PARTNER FOR YOU!
SO HE'S A BETTER MATCH FOR YOU!!
I DON'T UNDERSTAND YOUR FEELINGS, EITHER!
THE PERSON I LIKE ISN'T EUGENE!
What are you saying?
EUGENE UNDERSTANDS YOU VERY WELL, BUT I CAN'T EVEN UNDERSTAND YOUR FEELINGS
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?

IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE SAYING, HOW CAN I UNDERSTAND YOU?
I REALLY WANT TO ASK YOU, WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT A PERSON LIKE ME?
ALSO... I HAVE A PERSON THAT THINKS LIKE MY BROTHER AT MY SIDE!
I LIVE IN A COUNTRY THAT NOT EVEN ONE GUST OF WIND CAN PENETRATE! I DON'T WANT YOU TRAPPED INSIDE THERE!
I LIKE YOU!
THAT'S RIGHT.
THIS IS THE RONALD THAT I LIKE!

Ronald were you jealous?
I'M REALLY HAPPY ♡
THIS IS MY FIRST TIME SEEING YOU SO WORKED UP!
So that's what you were thinking!
THERE ARE MANY STRANGE FEELINGS IN MY HEART
BA-DUMP
Blush
THAT'S BECAUSE
BA-DUMP
THIS IS ALSO MY FIRST TIME HAVING THESE KINDS OF FEELINGS
I REALLY LIKE MARY
BA-DUMP
SHAAAAA
IT LOOKS LIKE
IT'S GOING TO SNOW SOON!

LILYNIA DOESN'T HAVE WIND OR SNOW...
MARY STILL NEEDS THEM
Wahh It's so cold
YOU CAN TELL?
YOU CAN TELL BY THE WIND! MY WEATHER FORECASTING IS THE MOST ACCURATE!
THEN, YOU CAN CREATE IT!
CREATING WIND AND SNOW
YOU CAN DEFINITELY DO IT!
Is it impossible?
AFTER COMING HERE I HAVE GAINED A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF MY OWN KINGDOM
THE TRADITIONS ARE DIFFERENT, SO THEIR THINKING IS DIFFERENT.
I FEEL THE SAME!
MY FEELINGS ARE LIKE THAT TOO
IF I WANT TO, I CAN RESEARCH THESE THINGS
WHEN I'M WITH MARY I CAN SEE MANY THINGS THAT I HAVEN'T THOUGHT ABOUT IN THE PAST

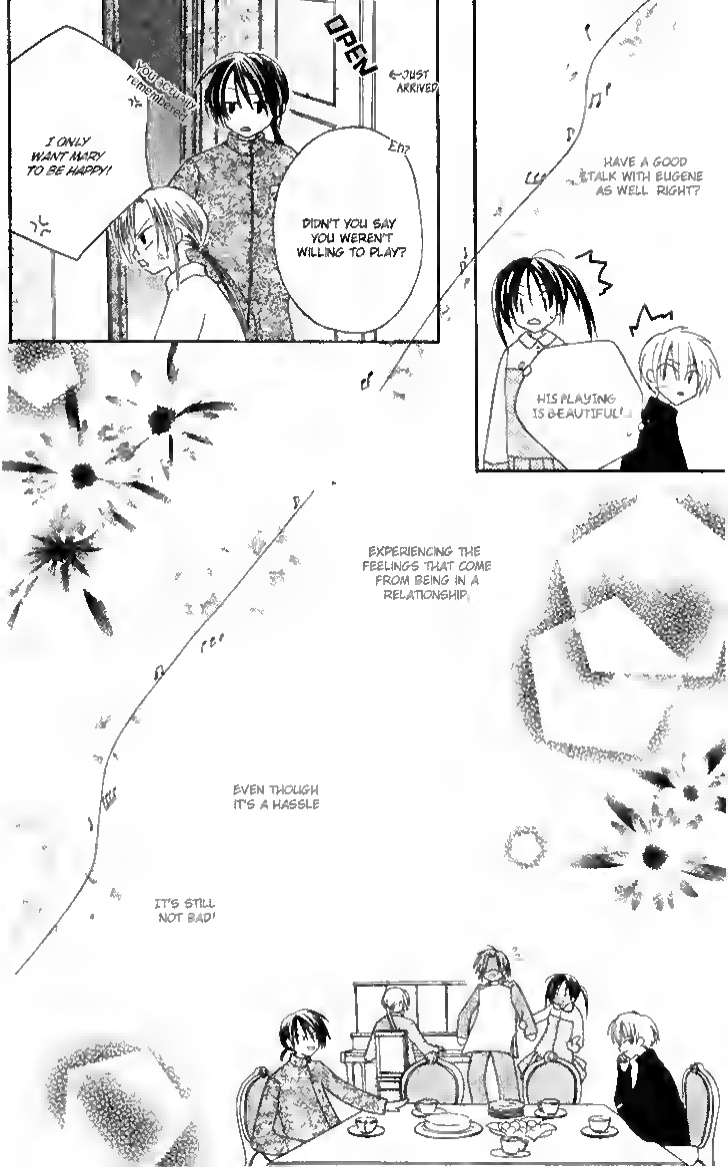
Ah!
IT'S SNOWING!
SNOW
SEEING REAL
THIS IS MY FIRST TIME
THIS KIND OF FEELING IS...
I FEEL THAT MY HEART'S BEATING VERY FAST
THIS IS...
FALL ONTO THE EARTH
THE SNOWFLAKES SILENTLY...

EVERYONE'S THE SAME!
Mary!
!
IT'S TRUE IT REALLY IS BEATING VERY FAST!
Oh yeah.
THE FEELING OF BEING TOUCHED
Stick
EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE A PRINCE FROM A HIGH-TECH KINGDOM,
YOU STILL THINK, WORRY AND YOU CAN STILL BE TOUCHED!

THAT'S RIGHT!
YOU HAVE RETURNED, PRINCE RONALD, PRINCESS MARY.
I'M BACK...
Wa!
Covered with snow...
PASS...
BL—
-UNT

PLEASE DRY YOURSELVES OFF.
There's one for me, too!
TOWELS
THANK YOU!
I'LL GO MAKE SOME TEA!
LET'S ALL HAVE SOME WARM TEA TOGETHER!
THANK YOU
I'll leave first...
FA-TA FA-TA FA-TA
IT'S LIKE YOU SAID IF YOU DON'T TALK THINGS OVER WITH SOMEONE YOU WON'T UNDERSTAND THEM.
WAS CALLED OVER FOR TEA
EH
I'M VERY HAPPY TO BE ABLE TO DISCUSS MATTERS WITH MARY AND DEREK
EUGENE

MARY
RISE
MAYBE THIS TRAIT OR THIS IS WHAT MAKES HIM SO ATTRACTIVE TO MARY
WHAT ARE YOU TWO TALKING ABOUT?
HIS PERSONALITY'S SO HONEST
Congratulations
I SEE
I'LL PLAY A PIECE ON THE PIANO FOR YOU
IT'S A GIFT FOR THE TWO OF YOU
EH! DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU COULDN'T PLAY ANYMORE?
I WAS LYING TO YOU
DOES MARY REALLY NOT REMEMBER?
I SHOULD REALLY...


OPEN
←JUST ARRIVED
YOU DON'T MIND, REMEMBER?
I ONLY WANT MARY TO BE HAPPY!
Eh?
DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU WEREN'T WILLING TO PLAY?
HAVE A GOOD TALK WITH EUGENE AS WELL RIGHT?
HIS PLAYING IS BEAUTIFUL!
EXPERIENCING THE FEELINGS THAT COME FROM BEING IN A RELATIONSHIP
EVEN THOUGH IT'S A HASSLE
IT'S STILL NOT BAD!

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THERE'S A FESTIVAL TODAY--!
ATTENDING THE FESTIVAL WITH THE ONE I LOVE,
I'M SO HAPPY!
PRINCESS MARY IS REALLY EXCITED!
BUT, WHY ARE YOU DRESSED LIKE THAT?
FLASHBACK
Sorry I didn't know that you had a hobby centered around maids.
IT'S NOT ANYTHING LIKE THAT!
Oh, ya.
OH
TO TEASE ME, EUGENE GAVE ME THE RALIFF KINGDOM MAID'S UNIFORM!
WHILE SEEING HIM OFF EARLIER, I WORE THIS ON PURPOSE TO SCARE HIM!
Haha this was really worth the effort.
PRINCESS MARY THIS IS THE STAR-SHAPED BREAD THAT YOU ORDERED
Here!
KYAA
THANK YOU!

TODAY'S THE WINTER SEASON'S STAR-GAZING FESTIVAL!
AND RONALD IS RETURNING TO HIS KINGDOM TOMORROW!
I'M GOING TO PLAY TO MY HEART'S CONTENT TODAY!
THIS IS MY LAST DAY TOGETHER WITH HIM
I HOPE YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO WAIT TOO LONG... RONALD!
STAR-SHAPED BREAD?
HERE! THIS IS FOR YOU!
it's really big!

THIS IS MY KINGDOM'S TRADITION TO EAT STAR-SHAPED FOOD WHILE AT A STAR-GAZING FESTIVAL!
If you eat it you'll recieve happiness!
I see
TODAY AT THE END OF THE FESTIVAL THERE WILL BE FIRE-WORKS,
THEN WE PUT OUT ALL THE LIGHTS, AND EVERYONE WISHES ON A STAR!
TONIGHT,
LET'S GO LOOK AT THE STARS TOGETHER!
He.
JUST THE TWO OF US!
AH, THIS IS THE COUPLE I'VE HOPED AND DREAMED WE'D BE WAIT, WE'RE AN ENGAGED COUPLE!
OKAY, JUST THE TWO OF US.

I'M SO HAPPY THAT I FEEL LIKE MY HEART'S GOING TO JUMP OUT!
I THINK I'M A LITTLE TOO EXCITED!
Ah ah...
Stupid... Stupid... Why is it like this...
IT'S STILL THE SAME! I STILL LIKE HIM A LOT!
Today it's going to be only us two! only us two!
HIS REPLY MADE ME SO HAPPY! HE'S ALMOST LIKE MY PRINCE CHARMING!
MARY?
because he was already a prince!
Thump Thump Thump
WE SHOULD GO OUT IN THE STREETS LATER! I'M GOING TO GO CHANGE MY CLOTHES!
Thank you!
MARY, YOU'RE REALLY INTERESTING.
You're that happy?
I was right about you
WHY WOULD HE BE HERE AT THIS TIME? IT'S RARE TO SEE HIM NOT WORKING
SHE EVEN THANKED ME—
Is she alright?
EH? IT'S BROTHER!

I WON THE BET I MADE WITH GLEN!
EVERYTHING IS GOING AS EXPECTED.
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU WOULD BET ON SOMETHING LIKE THIS!
THE GLEN HE WAS JUST TALKING ABOUT...
THAT'S MY BROTHER'S NAME!
EH?
Brother! What's going on!
Matthew! What did you and my brother bet on?
SO IT WAS YOU...
YOU TWO

HA!
I MADE A BET WITH RONALD'S BROTHER, GLEN, AND THE BET WAS
WHETHER YOU TWO WOULD FALL IN LOVE WITH EACH OTHER.
OF COURSE, I BET "YES"
THAT'S THE REASON WE PREPARED ALL THESE TESTS,
MELINA AND EUGENE'S REACTIONS, WERE ALSO WHAT I EXPECTED.
AND IT TURNED OUT JUST LIKE I PREDICTED,
SO I WON THE BET
What... is this....

SO THIS WAS ALL PLANNED OUT BY YOU, BROTHER!
YOU USED OUR FEELINGS FOR A BET,
AND MANIPULATED EVERYONE ?
THAT'S RIGHT
DIDN'T I SAY SO BEFORE?
ULYNIA IS A LARGE KINGDOM, WE SHOULDN'T PASS UP A CHANCE TO MARRY INTO A RICH AND POWERFUL FAMILY
I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS!
BROTHER, YOU
YOU'RE SO LOW! YOU DON'T EVEN CARE ABOUT PEOPLE'S FEELINGS!

JUMP
ARE A BASTARD...!
!!

Reflexed Dodge
Slam
let me look at it!
it hurts
it hurts
it hurts
YOU'RE AN IDIOT!
That... that hurt ssss!
MARY! ARE YOU ALRIGHT!
DON'T TOUCH ME!
YOU DON'T TAKE INTO ACCOUNT OTHER PEOPLE'S FEELINGS!
I HATE YOU!
PRINCESS MARY!

I UNDERSTAND
SINCE YOU SAID THAT, LET'S JUST PRETEND THAT THIS BET NEVER HAPPENED
EH
THEN THIS ENGAGEMENT IS ALSO ENDED
!?
YOU... WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!
HOW CAN IT BE LIKE THAT...
DO YOU THINK THAT I CAN'T DO THAT?
WEALTHY COUNTRIES, THERE'S STILL A LOT OF THEM OUT THERE!
WHAT?
GRAB
WAAGH
JILL GO GET THE DOCTOR!

Don't tell me you're going to jump down from up there too!
RONALD! YOU SHOULD PACK UP AND GET READY TO GO BACK TO YOUR KINGDOM!
MARY!
pa!
HEY!
WA! WAIT! PUT ME DOWN! WHERE ARE YOU GOING!
clank
MY BROTHER
HE'S SERIOUS!
BEFORE RONALD GOES BACK, I WON'T LET YOU MEET WITH HIM
JUST STAY HERE OBEDIENTLY FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE DAY!

CLOSE
THE DOOR'S LOCKED FROM THE OUTSIDE?
WHAT ARE YOU THINKING, BROTHER!
ISN'T THIS YOUR RECREATION HOUSE? WHY DID YOU TAKE ME HERE?
Rattle
Rattle
Brother!
Rise
THIS IS FOR YOUR OWN GOOD. I'LL SEE YOU LATER THEN
PAIN
I CAN'T ESCAPE LIKE THIS!
Ah Ah
Ah Ah this pain is killing me
?
TO THINK MY BROTHER WOULD DO SOMETHING SO HEARTLESS
WHY WOULD I DO SOMETHING STUPID LIKE THIS
WEARING SOMETHING LIKE THIS!
I LOOK LIKE AN IDIOT!
Even if I yell until I lose my voice, no one would be able to hear me!

PRINCE MATTHEW!
OH, JILL NO MATTER WHAT, DON'T LET RONALD KNOW OF THIS PLACE
WILL I NEVER GET TO SEE RONALD AGAIN?
ARE YOU REALLY GOING TO BREAK OFF THE ENGAGEMENT?
WHAT IF THOSE TWO GIVE UP?
EH...?

OH MY, AT LEAST YOU ONLY SPRAINED YOUR FOOT!
Here, put your socks on.
The doctor fixed it. I can walk now!
It's not possible!
PRINCE MATTHEW IS MONITORING THIS HOUSE VERY CLOSELY.
HE WOULDN'T DO ANYTHING THAT WILL HARM YOU
JILL. LET ME OUT! LET ME SEE RONALD!
Of course he would!
MY BROTHER ALWAYS KEEPS HIS WORD. YOU KNOW THAT, RIGHT?
IF THIS CONTINUES, WE'LL BE SEPERATED! I DON'T WANT THAT!
IF PRINCE RONALD THINKS THE SAME WAY, HE WILL DEFINITELY FIND THIS PLACE.
TO PREPARE FOR THAT, YOU SHOULD CHANGE!
I've brought a Change of clothes for you.

JILL, DON'T GIVE AWAY TOO MUCH!
Hurry on out!
WE'RE GOING TO END THE ENGAGEMENT, SO WHAT'S THE POINT IN MEETING?
YOUR MEETING EACH OTHER WAS PLANNED BY ME DOES HE REALLY LIKE YOU?
I JUST HOPE,
THAT MARY CAN FIND REAL HAPPINESS!
I MUST FIND A WAY TO ESCAPE FROM HERE!
OPEN
What you say and do are two completely different things!

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I really like bread

I also really like cake and red tea. Therefore the characters in my manga also really like bread (laugh) or there's often scenes with bread in them

I have sweet breads for dessert and eat the salty ones as meals. I like the kinds of bread that have butter inside the bun. If I had 100 dollars to go to a thrift shop I'd definitely buy some bread to eat

I don't understand why I like bread so much yet I don't work in a bakery

(But I've worked at a place where I could see a bakery.)

PRINCESS MARY IT'S TIME TO EAT... WAH
Good afternoon
Darling
Clatter Clatter Someone is at the door... Ah~ What~
KNOCK KNOCK KNOCK
Shaaa
Don't break the furniture!
CRACK
DIDN'T I SAY TO BEHAVE YOURSELF?
RONALD IS ACTING A LOT MORE MATURE!

It looks like a maple leaf!
Elder's traditional star shaped bread now on sale in the market
Winter Flavors— Butter, Chocolate, Cheese, and Raisin!

WE SAID THAT TONIGHT, WE'D ATTEND THE FESTIVAL TOGETHER AND WATCH THE STARS.
I WAS REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO IT!
I WANT TO SEE RONALD!
WHAT YOU SAID ABOUT WEALTH AND LARGE KINGDOMS, I DON'T CARE ABOUT THAT!
I JUST WANT TO BE TOGETHER WITH HIM,
TO SEE HIM AND TALK WITH HIM. THAT'S ALL.
Hey,
YOU SAID THAT VERY NICELY!
YOU DON'T CARE HOW YOU GOT TOGETHER? EVEN IF I WAS ORCHESTRATED BY ME?

It's cold
IF IT WEREN'T FOR MY BROTHER,
I FELL FOR MY BROTHER'S PLOT FROM THE VERY BEGINNING
TAPE PAPER OVER THOSE WINDOW SHUTTERS!
It's too cold like this
Then, it's bye-bye for now
MARY!
Shaa
ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE TREES, THERE'S A SOUND OF SOMETHING BREAKING!
PRINCE RONALD,
I THINK THAT IF THERE WAS A WINDOW SHE'D PROBABLY BE LOOKING OUTSIDE BUT, I COULD BE WRONG ABOUT THAT!
I KNOW THAT SHE'S PROBABLY LOCKED UP SOMEWHERE!
THERE'S A VACATION HOUSE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE FOREST

NO MATTER WHAT DEAL YOU HAD WITH MY BROTHER, IT DOESN'T MATTER!
THE PERSON I LIKE IS MARY!
I PROMISED MARY THAT WE WOULD WATCH THE STARS TOGETHER!
TELL ME WHERE SHE IS!
MATTHEW! WHERE'S MARY?
That's right!
THIS IS MY PERSONAL VACATION HOUSE,
YOU'RE WELCOME TO COME IN ANYTIME!
DIDN'T I TELL YOU TO GO HOME?
WITH YOUR QUALIFICATIONS, THERE ARE STILL MANY FIRST-RATE GIRLS WHO WANT TO MARRY YOU!
He-
Laugh
THEY BOTH DID WHAT I EXPECTED THIS IS SO MUCH FUN!
RONALD, YOU'RE A STRANGE PERSON!
YOU SAID THE SAME THING AS MARY!

WHEN I FIRST MET YOU I THOUGHT YOU WEREN'T A BAD PERSON. IT'S JUST THAT YOU DIDN'T REALLY HAVE ANY EMOTIONS
I BELIEVED THAT WHEN YOU MET MARY, YOU WOULD DEFINITELY CHANGE
YOU WOULD UNQUESTIONABLY DEVELOP AN INTEREST IN MARY
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY?
SEEING YOU CHANGE SO MUCH, I'M REALLY HAPPY!
IT'S AN EXPECTATION BUT IT'S ALSO A WISH!
I WANTED TO ALLY WITH THE KINGDOM OF ULYNIA.
BUT WHAT I WANTED MOST IS FOR MARY TO BE ABLE TO SPEND HER DAYS IN HAPPINESS WITH THE PERSON THAT'S SPECIAL TO HER.
THAT'S WHY I'VE TESTED YOU TWO; TO SEE IF YOU REALLY LOVED EACH OTHER.
SO YOU WERE TESTING ME TODAY?
THE BET WAS ONLY FOR FUN
That's right.
YOU'RE CORRECT!

IF YOU WANT TO SEARCH FOR MARY...THEN GO FIND HER! SHE'S IN THIS VACATION HOUSE
IT WON'T EFFECT WHETHER I WIN OR LOSE THIS BET
WHAT KIND OF BET DID YOU MAKE?
THAT IS
MARY!
MARY! WHERE ARE YOU?
KNOCK
MARY! ARE YOU IN HERE?
KNOCK KNOCK
MARY!
THIS IS GREAT.... I'M SORRY THAT IT TOOK ME SO LONG. I'LL GET YOU OUT IMMEDIATELY!
I'll break the lock.
WAIT, RONALD!
RONALD!

IF YOU HADN'T COME HERE IF YOU HAD A MARRIAGE ARRANGEMENT WITH SOMEONE ELSE FIRST... THEN YOU...
WASN'T ALL THIS CAUSED BY MY BROTHER?
IF WE HAD MET EACH OTHER UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES...
THE ONE WHO SHOULD BE SORRY IS ME!
I'M VERY LUCKY TO HAVE MET YOU!
THINKING ABOUT THINGS THAT WILL NEVER HAPPEN WON'T HELP IN ANY WAY.
THAT'S WHY I WAS ABLE TO FIND THIS PLACE,
BECAUSE I WANTED TO SEE YOU!
THE THINKING, PLANNING, AND DOING WERE ALL THINGS THAT WE DECIDED OURSELVES!
EVEN THOUGH MATTHEW ARRANGED FOR US TO MEET,

HOW DO YOU FEEL, MARY?
I..
I ALSO
REALLY WANT TO SEE RONALD!
STAB
POCKETKNIFE
That's good!
SWIP
click click click
I'M GOING TO BREAK OPEN THE LOCK, BACK AWAY FROM THE DOOR!
WHAM
WHAM
WHAM

SLAM!
Sha...
I'VE COME TO RESCUE YOU,
PRINCESS ROSEMARY

OUTSIDE...
YOU'RE JUST LIKE THE PRINCE FROM A FAIRYTALE!
REALLY?
THEN LET'S...
EH!
WA... SORRY!
BUMP
GRAB
LIFT
ESCAPE FROM THIS PLACE, MY PRINCESS.
EH EH!
I... I CAN WALK BY MYSELF!
NO, YOU WALK TOO SLOWLY
ISN'T YOUR FOOT INJURED?

AH!
PRINCESS MARY!
WHISPER WHISPER
PRINCESS MARY!
PRINCESS MARY! YOU'VE JUST ARRIVED?
THAT'S GREAT!
I THINK WE'VE MADE IT IN TIME TO SEE THE FIREWORKS!
IT DIDN'T START YET?
GET SOMEONE TO NOTIFY THE PEOPLE...? THE PORT? SAY THAT PRINCESS MARY HAS ARRIVED!
EH? WHAT'S WRONG!
WHAT HAS HAPPENED?
PRINCE MATTHEW GAVE US INSTRUCTIONS.
WE HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL PRINCESS MARY ARRIVES BEFORE WE CAN START THE FIREWORKS!
HE SAID THAT THIS WAS A PRESENT FOR THE TWO OF YOU!

EH...
SPLASH!
SHIMMER
SHIMMER
MY BROTHER, HE...? WHEN DID...
THIS AFTER-NOON!
HE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW FOR SURE IF YOU WERE GOING TO COME. IT MADE ME VERY WORRIED!
I HEARD THAT IT WAS TO CELEBRATE YOUR ENGAGE-MENT!
CONGRA-TULATIONS!
BOOM
BOOM
I REALLY DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT MY BROTHER'S THINKING—
BUT I BET THIS WAS ALSO WITHIN HIS EXPECTATIONS

IF IT'S LIKE THAT, WHY DID HE HAVE TO CAUSE SO MUCH TROUBLE FOR US!
HE THREATENED TO END OUR ENGAGEMENT AND EVEN LOCKED ME UP!
HE WAS TESTING US, TO SEE IF WE COULD STAND AGAINST OPPOSITION AND STAY TOGETHER TO THE END!
ANOTHER TEST! THAT'S TOO MUCH!
BUT,
IN HIS HEART, MATTHEW REALLY HOPED FOR A GOOD RESULT
I've heard this before
BUT HIS WAY OF SHOWING IT IS TOO STRANGE!
THAT'S TRUE
WHAT DO YOU THINK MATTHEW'S BET WITH MY BROTHER WAS ABOUT?
HE DID SAY THAT HE HOPED MARY WOULD FIND TRUE HAPPINESS!
IT WAS LIKE THIS FROM THE BEGINNING
HE WAS PROBABLY THINKING THAT IF WE GAVE UP SO EASILY, HOW COULD HE LET US GET MARRIED?

IT WAS ABOUT OUR ENGAGEMENT!
IF MATTHEW WON, THEN OUR ENGAGEMENT WOULD BE APPROVED OF.
IF GLEN WON, THEN OUR ENGAGEMENT WOULD BE OVER....
THOSE TWO BET ON WHETHER WE REALLY HAD MUTUAL LOVE FOR EACH OTHER
THEN...
OF COURSE I BET "YES"
DOES THAT EVEN COUNT AS A BET?
TO US, THERE'S A LARGE ADVANTAGE,
BUT TOWARDS MY BROTHER WHO OPPOSES IT, THERE'S A DISADVANTAGE.
IF IT'S LIKE THAT, WHY'D THEY HAVE TO BET
I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT MY BROTHER'S THINKING EITHER
BOOM
THESE TWO BROTHERS HAVE DONE ENOUGH!
RONALD, I WANT TO SAY SOMETHING

AFTER THE FIREWORKS HAVE STOPPED I WANT TO GO TO A PLACE,
WHERE YOU CAN SEE THE STARS THE MOST CLEARLY!
Tmp
Tmp
Tmp
...I'M SORRY, I GAVE SUCH AN UNREASONABLE REQUEST...
I'LL GET DOWN AND WALK!
I didn't plan for you to carry me
IT'S ALRIGHT, THIS HAS WARMTH.
You can't walk very fast now anyway.
WHEN I WAS YOUNG, MY BROTHER TOOK ME HERE OFTEN.
We're almost there, so hang on tight.
MY BROTHER KNOWS THE BEST VIEWS IN THE CITY!

IT'S SO BEAUTIFUL. THE ENTIRE SKY IS FULL OF STARS!
SO THE SKY HAS SO MANY STARS!
IT GIVES OFF A FEELING LIKE IT'S CREATED BY MAGIC
IT FEELS LIKE WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE UNIVERSE!
WISHING ON SO MANY STARS, DON'T YOU THINK THAT YOUR WISH IS BOUND TO COME TRUE?
TH..IT'S WHY PEOPLE WISH ON STARS!
SO THAT'S THE REASON.
You're really cute!
...THIS IS SOMETHING MY BROTHER TOLD ME
I JUST RE-M-BERED IT

MY BROTHER IS A GOOD SPEAKER
TODAY, I THOUGHT HE WAS FOR REAL
I BELIEVE MATTHEW WAS ONLY HALF JOKING, BECAUSE HE DOESN'T REALLY LIKE LILYNIA
That's the truth
REALLY?
Yep.
AFTER SEEING THE NATURAL WONDERS OVER HERE, I CAN FINALLY UNDERSTAND HIS FEELINGS NOW
BUT EVEN IF HE TRIES HIS BEST TO OPPOSE THIS ENGAGEMENT,
I STILL WANT TO BE TOGETHER WITH YOU
BECAUSE OF THIS GOAL, I CAN RECONSTRUCT MY KINGDOM,
SO THAT YOU WILL MARRY ME NO MATTER WHAT!
HOW COULD HE SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT..
Blush!
WHAT HE JUST SAID WAS SO EM-BARASS-ING NO SO COOL!
—THAT'S PROBABLY WHAT MATTHEW WOULD WANT ME TO SAY
EH?

SO THE TWO OF YOU ARE OVER HERE...
No wonder we didn't see you for so long...
BROTHER!
WAS YOUR WISH ON A STAR TO BE TOGETHER FOREVER?
We didn't make a wish yet!
YOU MADE ME TAKE IT FOR REAL!
hahaha
YOU CAN THINK IT'S REAL, BECAUSE I REALLY DO THINK THAT WAY!

AS FOR US, WE CAN MAKE OUR OWN WISHES COME TRUE!
We don't need to wish upon a star.
BUT, I'VE CONSIDERED IT! I'M GOING TO WISH, "LET MY BROTHER FALL IN LOVE!"
IF THAT HAPPENS, YOU'LL PROBABLY HAVE TO CHANGE YOUR TWISTED PERSONALITY, RIGHT?
IS THAT SO?
Haha
THAT WASN'T IN MY CALCULATIONS!
I'M SORRY FOR GIVING YOU TWO SUCH HARD TESTS
RONALD, I'M ENTRUSTING MARY TO YOU!

HMPH
How can a prankster like you even say something like that?
Aren't you a little late in realizing this?
Sigh
AH, RONALD IS GOING HOME...
BUT, IT'S GOOD THAT HE DOESN'T HATE ME... AFTER REFLECTING ON IT, I'VE DONE SO MANY STUPID THINGS!
RONALD'S SO FORGIVING...
That's why I like him...
Of course...
MY JUDGMENT OF PEOPLE IS NEVER WRONG!
Sneer!
THEN WHY DON'T YOU ACCEPT YOUR HUMBLE BROTHER'S LOVE?
The way you're dressed, you must be planning to go visit Grosheer country~ Bring me some souvenirs back once in a while~
BROTHER REALLY LOVES HIS DEAR SISTER TOO MUCH
Yeah~ like that~
I NEVER THOUGHT THAT YOU HAD A SISTER-COMPLEX
I'm so surprised~
Oh I didn't even know I was going on a trip?

I'LL COME VISIT YOU AGAIN...
Are you finished with your goodbyes?
Ah
RONALD!
Yo
WHAT ARE THOSE TWO DOING...
Open
Your handsome, beautiful and charming brother is going to give you a hug~
WAGH...
How, how uncompareable! My back! Don't touch me there! Pervert~
UHN... THANK YOU.
I'LL ALSO CALL YOU.
UHN...
THEN IT'S GOODBYE, PRINCESS ROSEMARY...
"BECAUSE OUR FEELINGS ARE DEEPER THAN BEFORE SAYING GOODBYE IS MORE PAINFUL."

TAKE CARE!
!
I'LL COME TO VISIT YOU, TOO!

LIHN, YOUR REAL TEST IS COMING!
Bye-bye
Because
IN FAIRYTALE ENDINGS, THE PEOPLE ALWAYS LIVE HAPPILY EVER AFTER!
BROTHER, YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY!
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VOL01 / EXTRA

SOUND
MAGIC

TODAY'S BROAD-CAST PROGRAM
WAS HOSTED BY YUZUYU-CHAN,
THANK YOU FOR TUNING IN!
YUZUYU-CHAN!
I'VE FALLEN IN LOVE WITH YOUR VOICE!
PLEASE GO OUT WITH ME!
What?
Eh Eh!
PLEASE TAKE CARE OF ME?
Blush
WAH--- HER VOICE!
EH!
YOU ARE---
Who?
THIS I... I WANT TO BE YOUR FRIEND FIRST!!
I'M KENTA FROM SECOND-YEAR CLASS FIVE, PLEASE TAKE CARE OF ME!

THERE'S THIS BOY HE LIKES ME BECAUSE OF MY VOICE...
YUZUYU-CHAN
GOOD MORNING!
AH!
GOOD MORNING
WA, YOUR VOICE SOUNDS GREAT EVEN EARLY IN THE MORNING!
I NEVER KNEW THAT WHEN I MET YOU I WOULD CONFESS, I EVEN SCARED MYSELF!
HAHAH AHA..
BUT AFTER CONFESSING, I CAN LISTEN TO YOUR VOICE OPENLY, SO THIS ISN'T BAD!
I got a good result by accident
STRANGE PERSON
ARE YOU SERIOUS? OR ARE YOU JUST JOKING AROUND?
I'M SERIOUS! I SAID SO YESTERDAY,
Oh oh, it's so near my ear!
I'VE FALLEN IN LOVE WITH YOUR VOICE!
HOW CAN THAT BE...
My entire body
Trembling
THE AFTERNOON BROADCAST CARRIED SUCH A BEAUTIFUL VOICE!
IT SEEPED THROUGH MY ENTIRE BODY!
I ALWAYS WANTED TO SPEAK WITH THE PERSON WHO HAD SUCH A VOICE, BUT BECAUSE OF MY SHYNESS I HESITATED FOR A LONG TIME...
Oh Oh
Stunned
YOU CAN BE SHY?

WHAT A BEAUTIFUL VOICE! ♡
Gasp
BUT, I NEVER SAID THAT I'D GO OUT WITH YOU!
WOW! YOU'RE PRETTY AGRESSIVE
PLEASE! ARE YOU LISTENING!
OF COURSE!
THAT'S WHY, I WISH TO BE FRIENDS WITH YOU!!
OF COURSE WE NEED TO START OFF BY GREETING EACH OTHER!
Is he directing a play?
I CAN HEAR YOUR VOICE EARLY IN THE MORNING,
THAT WAY I CAN GET THROUGH THE DAY WITH ENERGY!
TOO EXCITED!
Chatter
Chatter
Chatter
WHAT A FRIVOLOUS PERSON!
THE WAY HE TALKS IS VERY DRAMATIC, BUT HE'S ACTUALLY REALLY STRAIGHT-FORWARD...
Impressive
WHAT'S HE UP TO.
EXACTLY
THEN IT'S BYE FOR NOW!
...

ISN'T THIS REALLY AMUSING! JUST BE FRIENDS WITH HIM!
REALLY? I THINK HE'S PRETTY SINCERE...
I THINK THAT PEOPLE WHO SAY THINGS LIKE THAT SHOULDN'T BE TRUSTED!
HAHAHAHAHA
SO THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED!
I REALLY WANT TO MEET THIS KENTA!
HAHAHA
SUCH A DISGUSTING PERSON. HOW CAN I BE FRIENDS WITH HIM?
UHHH??
Startled
YUZUYU-CHAN!
SWIP
...JUST MATH HOME-WORK
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
So your seat was over here

YOUR VOICE IS TOO SMALL! YUZUYU!
Startled
SO YOU'RE KENTA?
I HEARD, YOU WERE YUZUYU'S FAN?
HEHEHE
ERR
SUKI
UMM... UMMM
YUZUYU-CHAN THE EQUATION THAT YOU USED ON PROBLEM NUMBER THREE IS WRONG!
EH?
IT SHOULD BE THE EQUATION ON THE TOP.
CAN I COME OVER?
I'll explain it to you
Your eyesights really good
YUZUYU, SAY SOMETHING TO HIM!
I'M BUSY DOING MY HOMEWORK!
That's enough!!

WOW
Swoon
YOU CALLED MY NAME! USING YOUR BEAUTIFUL VOICE!
RIGHT?
KENTA, YOU'RE PRETTY GOOD AT TEACHING!
Your explanation is better than the teacher's!
OH...
SO THAT'S HOW IT IS!
HE DOESN'T SEEM LIKE A BAD PERSON...
I JUST REALLY LIKE MATH, IF YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS JUST ASK ME!
KENTA, ISN'T THE BELL GOING TO RING SOON?
OH, THAT'S RIGHT!
The bass bell sounds really melodious~
Shock
OH
YOU'RE GOOD!
Impressive
SUKI, DON'T BOTHER HIM
Look at how scared he is

HMPH
YOU'RE JUST IN THIS FOR THE FUN OF IT!
WHENEVER I SAY SOMETHING, HIS REACTION IS SO EXAGGERATED, IT'S SO EMBARRASSING!
UHN
HE'S KIND OF CUTE!
THEN IT'S GOODBYE FOR NOW!
I DON'T GET WHAT'S SO GOOD ABOUT MY VOICE.
WHEN PEOPLE SAY THAT THEY LIKE THEIR OWN VOICE, I DON'T KNOW HOW TO ACT!
BUT, THE FEELING OF BEING LIKED ISN'T THAT BAD, RIGHT?
HE'S THE KIND OF GUY THAT I LIKE!
IF HE DIDN'T SPEAK, I WOULD PROBABLY ADMIRE HIM.
I really hate that!
I LIKE YUZUYU'S VOICE TOO!
Don't do this so suddenly!
THEN WHY DIDN'T I HEAR THIS BEFORE!
ME TOO—
YOU TWO...

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WRITING THIS KIND OF COLUMN IS ONE OF MY DREAMS BEFORE WHEN I WAS READING 'LALADX,' THEY WOULD WRITE SOMETHING ABOUT THEIR MANGA IT WAS SOMETHING I REALLY LIKED TO READ BUT WHEN I HAVE TO WRITE IT, I CAN'T THINK OF ANYTHING TO WRITE, IT MAKES MY HEAD HURT JUST THINKING ABOUT IT BUT WHEN I SEE OTHER PEOPLE WRITING IT, THEY'RE REALLY HAPPY-WRITING THIS BOOK'S FREETALK MADE ME REALLY NERVOUS GETTING A CHANCE TO DRAW THE MATERIAL ON THE BACK OF THE BOOK, I'M REALLY HAPPY
BECAUSE I CARE TOO MUCH ABOUT MY OWN PERFORMANCE, I STILL DON'T KNOW WHAT TO WRITE MY COLUMNS ARE PROBABLY REALLY HARD TO READ, I'M REALLY SORRY MY WRITING IS ALSO REALLY MESSY AND THERE'S SO MANY WORDS
WHENEVER SOMEONE SAYS THIS TO ME, I GET EMBARRASSED, WHICH WILL CAUSE A NEGATIVE REACTION!
I understand now!
WHAT? A KID!
SHE'S TOO GULLIBLE!
"SOUND" IS JUST A SENSE! IT'S JUST ONE REASON HE WANTS TO BE FRIENDS WITH YOU!
WHY DON'T YOU TRY TO UNDERSTAND HIM.
YOU CAN WORRY ABOUT WHAT TO DO LATER, RIGHT?
WHAT YOU SAID... IS TRUE

WA~~~ WHAT A COINCIDENCE~~~
YUZUYU-CHAN
I CAME AT THE WRONG TIME
THERE'S TOO MANY PEOPLE RIGHT NOW!
CROWD
Chatter
Chatter
Chatter
FREE EGG FOR TODAY
Walk
Walk
IF WE KEEP ON WAITING THERE WILL BE NO MORE BREAD
I'll try going in!
EH?
YOU WANT TO BUY BREAD? DO YOU NEED TO SQUEEZE IN?
THAT'S RIGHT
I'LL BUY IT FOR YOU, THAT WAY IT'LL BE QUICKER!
BUT~, THAT'S TOO MUCH TO ASK
I WAS GOING TO BUY SOME DESSERT ANYWAY IT'S ALONG THE WAY! WHAT DO YOU WANT?
THEN I WANT AN EGG SALAD SANDWICH AND BREAD WITH MILK FILLING
THE BREAD THAT YOU CHOSE IS SO CUTE~
GOT IT!

Nuzzle
Ah—
HERE, YOU'VE WAITED FOR A WHILE.
Swf
MILK
NEW PRODUCT
PUMPKIN ROLL
Shiiin
Shiiin
Shiiin
WOW, IF I WAS THERE I WOULD ALREADY BE FLATTENED!
THANK YOU
YOU SAID THANK YOU TO ME! USING THAT SWEET VOICE OF YOURS!
I'M SO HAPPY!
Don't squish the bread
- KENTA, I'M REALLY HAPPY THAT YOU ADMIRE MY VOICE,
BUT WHEN YOU DO THINGS LIKE THIS IT MAKES ME FEEL VERY EMBARRASED!
CAN I ASK YOU TO HAVE MORE NORMAL REACTIONS
Blush
Ri - RIGHT
SORRY!
I NEVER THOUGHT OF...
CHIN

YUZUYU-CHAN
MATH? I'LL TEACH YOU, I'LL TEACH YOU!
WAAH
YOUR VOICE SOUNDS SO GOOD!
DON'T DO STUFF LIKE THAT!
YOU WANT TO GET A BOOK? I'LL HELP YOU! WHICH ONE?
YUZUYU-CHAN, YUZUYU-CHAN
DON'T SAY STUFF LIKE THAT!
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WE'RE IN DIFFERENT CLASSES YET HE STILL FOLLOWS ME SO CLOSELY, KENTA'S WORKING REALLY HARD!
IT'S LIKE A PRINCESS AND HER GUARD!
HI
DON'T SAY ANYMORE! I THINK HEAR HIS VOICE RINGING BY MY EAR!
OF COURSE, I'm not used to it!
WHEN WE TALKED ABOUT HIM HE CAME—
YUZUYU-CHAN!
THAT'S BECAUSE LATELY WE'VE BECOME MORE FAMILAR WITH EACH OTHER...
HEY, BUT, IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE YOU HAVE ANY OBJECTIONS!
EVERYDAY HE'S ALWAYS CALLING "YUZUYU-CHAN, YUZUYU-CHAN."
You've gotten used to it?

Shaaa
EH? KENTA, AREN'T YOU FROM CLASS FIVE?
I CAME TO HELP
TEACHER
I'M SORRY, YOU HAD TO HELP ME MOVE THINGS
IF I'M ABLE TO HEAR YOUR VOICE, SOMETHING AS SMALL AS THIS IS NOTHING!
pain
IT HURTS!
EH!
YOU CUT YOUR HAND!
UGH
HOMEWORK CAN CUT PEOPLE TOO!
YOU'RE STILL SAYING SOMETHING LIKE THAT AT A TIME LIKE THIS!
IT DOESN'T MATTER. YOUR VOICE WHEN YOU FEEL RUSHED IS REALLY CUTE TOO!
ONE FINGER----
I CAN JUST LICK THIS AND IT'LL BE FINE
BUT YOU'RE BLEEDING! LET'S GO TO THE NURSE'S OFFICE!
GOSH---

I HAVE EVERYTHING IN MY BAG! ANTIBIOTICS, EYE DROPS A SMALL TOWEL, AND FOR EMERGENCIES, A SNACK...
AND TWO HANDKER-CHIEFS, AND TWO PACKS OF TISSUES!
SHING
WOW--- YOU'RE REALLY PREPARED!
What do you mean? 0
YUZUYU'S BAG CAN BEAT AN OLD GRAND-MA'S!
It's really handy though
SHE SOME-TIMES EVEN BRINGS HERB TEA!
Oh---
DON'T SAY TOO MUCH!
OH~ KENTA ONLY WANTS TO KNOW A LITTLE MORE ABOUT YOU!
THAT'S RIGHT, AFTER KNOWING SO MUCH TODAY, I'M REALLY HAPPY! EVEN THOUGH WE SEE EACH OTHER EVERY DAY,
WE'RE IN DIFFERENT CLASSES, IT'S REALLY HARD TO BE A PART OF YOUR LIFE!

I DON'T UNDERSTAND HIM ONE BIT!
EVEN THOUGH I FEEL LIKE I'M UNDERSTANDING KENTA MORE, THE TIME WE SPEND TOGETHER IN ONE DAY IS LESS THAN AN HOUR,
I REALLY DON'T UNDERSTAND HIM ONE BIT!
THAT'S ENOUGH! I'M NOT SPEAKING TO YOU ANYMORE!
AND TODAY I HEARD DIFFERENT KINDS OF VOICES, I'M REALLY HAPPY!
YOUR VOICE IS SO CUTE
HAHAHAHA.
YUZUYU YOU'RE LIKE AN ARISTOCRAT!
WAGH-- I'M SORRY, YUZUYU-SAN—
—HEY,
ISN'T THAT KENTA?
BECAUSE I HAVE THIS KIND OF PERSONALITY, I FEEL THAT ANYONE WHO CAN SAY "I LIKE YOU" IS VERY IMPRESSIVE—
BUT, IF I ADMITTED TO IT, "BEING INTERESTED IN HIM," "WANTING TO UNDERSTAND HIM," ...I'M TOO SHY TO SAY IT.
Oh
I'M KIND OF INTERESTED IN HIM!

AH, THAT GIRL IS COMING OVER HERE!
THAT GIRL'S PROBABLY CONFESSING TO HIM!
IT IS!
THAT SHOULD BE IT
It's a senpai!
AH..
YOU ARE... YUZUYU-SENPAI?
I ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT YOU WERE KENTARO-SENPAI'S GIRLFRIEND,
IF YOU LIKE HIM A EVEN LITTLE BIT, PLEASE GO OUT WITH HIM!
UMM...
Right... Yeah?
THE REASON SHE CONFESSED WAS BECAUSE SHE KNEW YOU WEREN'T KENTA'S GIRLFRIEND AND THEN SHE FOUND OUT THAT HE ALREADY HE HAD SOMEONE HE LOVED AND WAS REJECTED BY HIM.
That's what I've guessed...
Tmp
Bo'u...

YOU'RE RIGHT, THEY REALLY DO LOOK LIKE A COUPLE.
THEY'RE ALSO REALLY CLOSE RIGHT NOW!
—WE'RE JUST FRIENDS!
KENTARO ONLY LIKES MY "VOICE!"
That's right, not me!
HE'S SATISFIED BY JUST LISTENING TO MY VOICE!
I'M NOT ABLE TO BE DIRECT LIKE WHAT THAT OTHER GIRL JUST DID!
BEING SEEN BY SOMEONE IN THIS KIND OF WAY, DOES NOT MAKE ME HAPPY AT ALL!
SORRY...

I MADE YOU FEEL REALLY UNCOMFORTABLE
BUT, I NEVER KNEW YOU THOUGHT THIS WAY...
AH---
I'M REALLY SORRY!
I'LL BE CAREFUL, NOT TO GIVE OFF THE IMPRESSION THAT WE'RE A COUPLE!
I HOPE THAT YOU DON'T HATE ME, AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE MY FRIEND, IS THAT OKAY?
Smile
YOU...
DON'T YOU ALWAYS SAY THAT YOU LIKED MY VOICE!
—THAT'S THE PART I LIKE THE BEST ABOUT YOU

THAT NAME
"EH?"
Kotsuo
THEN I'LL BE LEAVING NOW
UHN UHN
Heartache...
Sift
Sift
YUZUYU WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?
Flip
GOT IT!
THIS IS THE ONE
Yuzuyu 9/10

WHAT IS THAT? YOUR NOONTIME BROADCAST NOTES?
Creak
KENTA SEEMS TO BE THE TENNIS TEAM'S .
YUZUYU? WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
Open
I REALLY DON'T UNDERSTAND ANYTHING
OUR SCHOOL'S BOY'S TENNIS TEAM, GOT THIRD PLACE IN THE GROUP COMPETITION AT THE SUMMER TOURNAMENT
IN THE INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT, KENTARO FROM SECOND-YEAR WHO HAS GRABBED MOST OF THE ATTENTION OF SPECTATORS,
—SO HE'S THAT KENTA...
OH... SO HIS FULL NAME IS KENTARO!
Flip
OVER HERE— HEY—

OH
WHY DID I COME OVER HERE TO SPY ON THE TENNIS TEAM!
KENTA HE'S...
NOT HERE ?
EH? AREN'T YOU YUZUYU?
KENTARO TOOK A BREAK! AH... WAIT A MOMENT, COME HERE FOR A MINUTE!
EH!
WHY DOES HE KNOW ME!
AH, SHE'S KENTA'S...
OH, SO THIS IS YUZUYU!
WHAT... WHAT'S GOING ON-
SORRY!
YOU'RE VERY WELL KNOWN ON OUR TEAM!
IT'S BECAUSE KENTA'S VERY ATTRACTED BY YOUR BROADCAST!

REMEMBER AFTER SUMMER VACATION, WHEN YOU BROADCASTED ABOUT THE TEAM'S NATIONAL COMPETITION RESULTS?
YOU SAID KENTA'S NAME WRONG, YET WORRIED ABOUT HIS INJURY AND WANTED HIM TO DO HIS BEST
YOU CAME TO INTERVIEW OUR COACH BEFORE, AND SURVEYED THIS AREA VERY CLEARLY, RIGHT?
The teacher praised you even though you did it for only a short time, you took it very seriously
KENTARO WAS VERY HAPPY!
I'M YUZUYU-CHAN'S SUPPORTER!
SHE USED THAT BEAUTIFUL VOICE OF HERS TO TELL ME TO DO MY BEST, NEXT TIME I'LL DEFINITELY GET GOOD RESULTS!
I'VE MADE MY DECISION!
C'MON--- LET'S START PRACTICING!
Your injury just healed, don't practice too hard
W...
I'M SO HAPPY...
HER BROADCAST TODAY SOUNDED SO GOOD!
SHE'S ALWAYS SO ATTRACTIVE!
FOUND OUT ON PURPOSE
SHE'S REALLY CUTE AS WELL! SHE'S FROM CLASS ONE
I WANT TO HEAR HER VOICE DIRECTLY!
I WONDER WHAT KIND OF GIRL SHE IS?
HE'S ST MITED AGAIN
AS THE MANAGER OF FUBUKIS
HE'S GOING CRAZY AGAIN
YEAH! I'LL GO MAKE FRIENDS WITH HER!
A GIRL THAT SO SINCERELY INSPIRED ME, I'LL DEFINITELY LIKE HER!
SHING
No, I already like her!
...HE'S ALWAYS SAYING THESE KINDS OF THINGS

TO KENTARO, YOUR VOICE IS LIKE MAGIC!
MAGIC...
It's his source of energy! You should come cheer him on at our next practice
YET, I ACTUALLY SAID SOMETHING LIKE THAT TO HIM!
SO, WHAT AROUSED KENTARO'S INTEREST FIRST, WASN'T MY VOICE
WHEN WE HEARD THAT HE ACCIDENTALLY CONFESSED, WE ALL STARTED LAUGHING!
BUT HE'S JUST THAT HEADSTRONG, PLEASE BE KIND TO HIM!
HE SAID SO FROM THE VERY BEGINNING...
EVEN SO, HE STILL WANTED TO CONTINUE TO BE FRIENDS!
I'VE FEEL LIKE I'VE GOTTEN CLOSER TO KENTA,
I'VE ALSO DISCOVERED SOMETHING
TOMORROW I'LL APOLOGIZE TO HIM
IF IT WAS ME I PROBABLY COULDN'T HAVE SAID THAT
KENTA'S REALLY AMAZING

"LET'S CONTINUE TO BE FRIENDS." IS WHAT I SHOULD HAVE SAID
Mrr—
Mrr—
.....
I HAVEN'T SEEN KENTARO THE ENTIRE MORNING!
BEING TOLD SOMETHING LIKE THAT, I WOULD HAVE BEEN REALLY DEPRESSED!
HE'S NOT HERE RIGHT NOW!
Rise
2 - 5
ALL YESTERDAY AND TODAY, I HAVEN'T SEEN KENTARO
HI, I NEED TO DO SOME THING
YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO SKIP CLUB TODAY!
I STARTED RELYING ON HIM TO HELP ME DO MATH AND NOW I CAN'T FINISH MY HOME-WORK

I WANT TO HEAR HIM CALLING TO ME
NOT HEARING HIM MAKES ME FEEL REALLY LONELY
TRUTHFULLY, I DON'T HATE HATE LISTENING TO HIM EVERDAY
I WANT TO HEAR HIS VOICE!"
HE'LL NEVER COME TO FIND ME AGAIN"
"YUZUYU-CHAN"
YUZUYU-CHAN
"I LOVE YOUR VOICE THE MOST!"
— I REALLY WANT TO HEAR HIS VOICE

YUZUYU?
Stare
I ONLY WANT TO HEAR YOUR VOICE—
SLIDE
I JUST HEARD KENTARO'S VOICE!
Dash
KENTARO!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU? YUZUYU!!

YUZUYU-CHAN...
HEY! I HAVE SOMETHING I NEED TO SAY TO YOU!
I HAVEN'T HEARD HIS VOICE IN SO LONG...
I CAN'T MOVE; IT'S LIKE A SPELL'S BEEN CAST OVER ME
YUZUYU-CHAN! STAY OVER THERE, I'LL COME AND FIND YOU!
I LIKE TO HEAR YOUR VOICE
Surprised Explanation
AH!
BUT I'M AFRAID THAT IF I GO SEE YOU TOO OFTEN I'LL CAUSE TROUBLE FOR YOU...
BUT NOT ONLY YOUR VOICE, I ALSO REALLY LIKE SEEING YOU!
LONG TIME NO SEE... BUT IT'S ONLY BEEN THREE DAYS
BUT IT FEELS LIKE I HAVEN'T HEARD YOUR VOICE IN A LONG TIME!
EH...?
I'M REALLY SORRY ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED LAST TIME!
IT WAS BECAUSE I WAS TOO AWKWARD.

IT WAS BECAUSE I WAS TOO AWKWARD...
I ACTUALLY REALLY WANT TO UNDERSTAND YOU MORE, BUT I JUST COULDN'T SAY IT!
BUT, AFTER NOT SEEING YOU FOR THREE DAYS, I'VE DISCOVERED...
I REALLY MISS YOU, AND I REALLY WANT TO HEAR YOUR VOICE!
KENTA'S VOICE IS ALWAYS RINGING IN MY HEAD!
THE VOICE IN WHICH HE SAID THE HE LIKED ME, WAS PROBABLY A SPELL!!
I'VE ALSO FALLEN FOR YOUR VOICE!

IT MADE A "VOICE" BECOME A TRULY SPECIAL THING—
ARE YOU WILLING TO BE MY FRIEND AGAIN...
WILLING TO LET ME HEAR YOUR VOICE EVERY DAY?
--OF COURSE,
I'LL ACCEPT HAPPILY!
Dizzy
Oh wow—
I FEEL LIKE I'VE JUST BEEN CONFESSED TO, OR BEEN PROPOSED TO—
AND IT'S WITH THAT GREAT VOICE.
HEAVENS, I DON'T HAVE ANYMORE STRENGTH TO REFUSE
WAGH!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!

I ALSO WANT TO SEE YOU EVERYDAY, TO LISTEN TO YOUR VOICE EVERYDAY.
AH, YOU'RE STILL SO CUTE
AH...
SHUT..
SHUT UP! DON'T USE THAT KIND OF VOICE!
I can understand your feelings now!
SO..
I'LL ASK AGAIN IF YOU WOULD PLEASE GO OUT WITH ME?

O KAY—
A VOICE IS A KIND OF MAGIC
SLUMP
IT'S A KIND OF HEARTWARMING SPELL!
HAHAHA...
It's too funny
Hahaha! Ah I don't have any strength left!

WANTING TO HEAR SOMEONE'S VOICE MEANS THAT YOU WANT TO TALK WITH THEM
TO STAY AT THEIR SIDE
TO UNDERSTAND THEM MORE
IT CONTAINS SO MUCH MEANING
EH EH!
Yozoyu-chan? Why...
Kentaro are you practicing magic?
NOW I CAN UNDERSTAND IT
LIKING SOMEONE'S VOICE,
MAKE A MAGICAL SOUND
THAT CAN'T BE..
HAHAHA...
Ah sorry! last time I told her everything
The End

SHIRANAI KUNI NO MONOGATORI HISTORY

THIS STORY WAS ORIGINALLY SUPPOSED TO BE A SHORT STORY IN A MAGAZINE. A YEAR AGO, I COULDN'T DREAM THAT IT WOULD BECOME SERIALIZED SERIES, AND WOULD BE PUBLISHED INTO A BOOK. THIS CONTINUING LUCK, GIVES ME A FEELING OF DISBELIEF.

A PERSON LIKE ME WHO USUALLY HAS BAD LUCK, WHO IS STILL ABLE TO HAVE THINGS GO SO SMOOTHLY, MAKES ME FEEL REALLY SCARED THAT THIS KIND OF LUCK WILL DISAPPEAR AT ANY MINUTE! BUT, SUMMING IT UP IN ONE SENTENCE, I'D HAVE TO SAY THAT I'M REALLY HAPPY!

I'M EVEN TOO HAPPY TO SLEEP, OR I START DAYDREAMING AT INTERVALS IN THE DAY. AFTER MUCH SUPPORT FROM OTHERS, I USED ALL MY EFFORTS (LALIGH) TO CREATE THIS STORY. LET ME TELL YOU HOW THESE KINDS OF STORIES ARE CREATED!

MARY COSPLAYING ALICE

IMAGINING THINGS THAT HAVEN'T HAPPENED YET YET INDULGING MYSELF IN HAPPINESS... IT'S LIKE THIS FOR A PERIOD OF TIME
I'm so happy
I'm so excited
(3)
I START THINKING ABOUT HAPPY THINGS
IF I MEET A DEAD-END.
(1)
FINALLY AWAKE
HISTORY KEEPS REPEATING ITSELF.
AH WAIT IF I'M NOT FINISHED DRAWING HOW'S IT GOING TO GET PUBLISHED IN A MAGAZINE?
Shock
(4)
THIS IS GREAT. IS MY WORK REALLY GOING TO BE PUBLISHED IN A MAGAZINE? IT'S EVEN GOING TO BE PUBLISHED AS A MANGA! IT'S LIKE I'M DREAMING. I'M SO HAPPY
Dazed
(2)

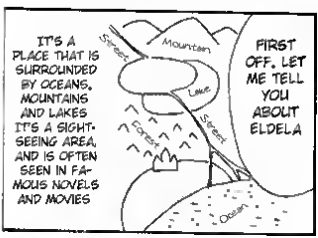
THIS STORY'S FIRST CHAPTER WAS SUPPOSED TO BE A ONE SHOT. I'VE THOUGHT OF THE DRESSING-AS-A-MAID AND INTRUDING INTO ANOTHER PERSON'S COUNTRY BEFORE, WHICH WAS HOW I DEVELOPED THE WHOLE STORY. BUT THIS IS MY FIRST TIME WRITING A FANTASY STORY, SO I SPENT A LOT OF TIME ON WORLD VIEW, MY STORY STRUCTURE AND DETAIL ARRANGEMENT, SO MUCH SO THAT I WANTED TO GIVE UP A COUPLE OF TIMES WHILE THE STORY WAS IN PROGRESS. BUT AFTER I FINISHING THE STORY, I WAS STILL VERY HAPPY THAT I HAD STUCK TO IT. AT FIRST I DIDN'T HAVE IN MIND A "PRINCE AND PRINCESS" STORY, (I ONLY THOUGHT UP THE PRINCE BECAUSE OF THE HEADSTRONG AND TEMPERAMENTAL MAID I HAD IN MIND) ONLY AFTER CONTINUING TO DRAW, DID I FIND OUT. "WHAT PRINCE?" THAT'S SO SHAMEFUL--- SO AS I WAS THINKING UP THE STORY, I WAS CONTINUOUSLY SCREAMING INSIDE. (LAUGH)
NOW I'M NOT ALL SHY ABOUT MY STORY, YET I THINK IT'S VERY FUN.

ABOUT THE FIRST CHAPTER'S SETTING, WHICH WAS AT ELDELA KINGDOM. I EVEN MADE A MAP ESPECIALLY FOR THAT PURPOSE, BUT I DIDN'T GET A CHANCE TO USE IT IN THE BOOK. I ESPECIALLY ENJOYED DRAWING MELINA'S ROLE. MATTHEW WAS A CHARACTER THAT WAS WARMLY WELCOMED IN THE FIRST CHAPTER. HE HAD A LOT OF FANS IN THE END AS WELL, EVEN THOUGH HE DOES NOT APPEAR OFTEN IN THE MANGA. (LAUGH) THIS MAKES ME FEEL VERY SATISFIED.

IN THE SECOND CHAPTER, I WROTE IT FROM RONALD'S POINT OF VIEW. IT WAS A GOOD THING THAT I CHOSE TO DO SO IN ORDER TO EXPLAIN RONALD'S FEELINGS, BECAUSE HONESTLY SPEAKING, I REALLY DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT HE'S THINKING. (LAUGH) IN THIS CHAPTER, EUGENE IS INTRODUCED. HE WAS A CHILDHOOD PLAYMATE THAT HAD GROWN UP WITH MATTHEW AND MARY. AT FIRST I THOUGHT OF MANY DIFFERENT SCENES FOR HIM, BUT I WAS RESTRICTED BY THE PAGE LIMIT. SO I COULDN'T USE THEM. IT WAS KIND OF A SHAME. HE HAS A HEAD OF LONG, FULL, GOLDEN HAIR. HE MATCHES THE TRADITIONAL IMAGE OF A PRINCE ENTIRELY. NOTE, HE'S THE SAME AGE AS RONALD.

THE THIRD CHAPTER STARTED WITH MATTHEW. HONESTLY SPEAKING, HE'S A CHARACTER THAT I LOVED FROM THE VERY BEGINNING. AT FIRST I WANTED HIM TO BE THE MAIN CHARACTER IN THIS CHAPTER. (LAUGH) (BUT IF I MADE IT THAT WAY, IT WOULD STRAY FROM THE MAIN STORYLINE.) AFTER ALL, THIS CHAPTER'S POINT WAS TO HAVE MARY AND RONALD FALL IN LOVE. MARY AND RONALD'S ACTIONS ARE A LITTLE TOO EXAGGERRATED. (LAUGH) THIS IS THE LONGEST CHAPTER IN THE SERIES. SO IT'S PROGRESS DRAGGED ON A BIT. I EVEN HAD TO HAVE MY FRIENDS COME AND HELP ME DURING THE NEW YEAR'S TO FINISH IT. DURING CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS, THE TWO MAJOR HOLIDAYS. TIME SLIPPED AWAY AS I WAS RUSHING ON THE DRAFT. MY DEAR FRIENDS, THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

WELCOME TO MYSTERY KINGDOM!
Look over here~
I'M THE TOUR GUIDE, MATTHEW!
EVEN THOUGH I'M EXPLAINING, THIS IS THE NTH DEGREE ZONE. A COUNTRY YOU DON'T KNOW ABOUT!
Welcome


IT'S A PLACE THAT IS SURROUNDED BY OCEANS, MOUNTAINS AND LAKES IT'S A SIGHT-SEEING AREA, AND IS OFTEN SEEN IN FAMOUS NOVELS AND MOVIES
Strait
Mountain
Lake
Forest
Strait
Ocean
FIRST OFF, LET ME TELL YOU ABOUT ELDELA

ELDELA RUINS
MOST ROYALTY WORK IN THE TOURISM INDUSTRY
THERE'S EVEN CHAMOMILE TEA AND BREAD!
IF YOU WANT TO BUY SOUVENIRS PLEASE WALK THIS WAY!

THE MOST WELCOMED TOUR GUIDE GIVES YOU THE BEST SERVICE!
IF YOU WANT TO APPOINT ME AS YOUR TOUR GUIDE, PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS HALF A YEAR IN ADVANCE!
Flash
YOU'RE FIRST CHOICE IN VACATION-DESTINATION ELDELA!

AT FIRST IT WAS A PAIN FOR ME TO DRAW THE CHAPTERS, BUT NOW I FIND IT REALLY ENJOYABLE, I FEEL LIKE CREATING MY OWN WORLD IS REALLY FUN! ESPECIALLY CREATING THE CHARACTERS, IT'S BECOME ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I LOVE DOING.

MARY'S PERSONALITY IS VERY SIMPLE AND EASY TO UNDERSTAND, IT'S ALSO VERY ORDINARY. (LAUGH) BUT HER HAIR IS REALLY HARD TO DRAW! IN ORDER TO DISTINGUISH MARY FROM OTHER CHARACTERS, I LET HER KEEP THE SAME HAIRSTYLE, I EVEN FOUND A REALLY BAD EXCUSE, SAYING, "BECAUSE RONALD'S EYES ARE BAD, IF MARY CHANGED HER HAIRSTYLE, HE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO RECOGNIZE HER!" (EVERYONE WHO HAS HEARD THIS HAS SAID: " HOW CAN THAT BE?" WHICH BROUGHT ME BACK TO REALITY... WHAT EVERYONE'S SAID IS RIGHT.)

PERHAPS A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE NOTICED," ROSEMARY" IS THE PRONUNCIATION FOR THE ROSEMARY FLOWER IN ENGLISH. IT'S THE SAME FOR MATTHEW AND EUGENE. "EUGENE" IS A JAPANESE'S PLANT'S ENGLISH PRONUNCIATION. IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ANYONE ELSE'S NAME OR ANY LANDMARKS. I JUST USED COMMON NAMES FOR THE HECK OF IT, I'M SORRY FOR MAKING SOME READERS CONFUSED.

BEFORE DRAWING THIS STORY, I WASN'T REALLY GOOD AT DRAWING CLOTHES WITH LACE OR FLOWERS, I NEVER THOUGHT I WOULD HAVE TO DRAW A MAID UNIFORM! THIS IS A CHALLENGE I GAVE MYSELF, I BELIEVED THAT I WOULD GRADUALLY IMPROVE, I'LL CONTINUE TO DO MY BEST!

SOUND MAGIC

THIS WORK WAS MADE DURING "SHIRANAI KUNI NO MONOGATORI" IT WAS CREATED DURING THE FIRST CHAPTER AND ADDED TO DURING SOME OTHER CHAPTERS AFTER THAT THE TOPIC AND SUBJECT WRITTEN AT THE BEGINNING DIDN'T MATCH, AND IT WAS JUST AN ORDINARY SCHOOL STORY. (LAUGH)

I REALLY WANT TO DRAW A SPIRITED AND PLAYFUL CHARACTER, WHICH IS WHY I CREATED KENTA, AND YET HE ACTUALLY BECAME MORE POPULAR THAN THE MAIN CHARACTER, YUZUYU. KENTA'S THE CHARACTER THAT I WAS ABLE TO EXPRESS MOST EASILY. THE NAME YUZUYU WAS BORROWED FROM A FRIEND, BECAUSE SHE SAID BEFORE, THAT SHE WISHED FOR ME TO USE HER NAME IN ONE OF MY STORIES. WHEN I WAS IN HIGH SCHOOL, SHE WAS ON THE TENNIS TEAM, AND I WAS IN THE BROADCASTING CLUB.

I REALLY LIKE SCHOOL STORIES AND UNIFORMS. CHANGING SEASONS ARE THINGS THAT I LIKE BEST, WHETHER IT'S MALE OR FEMALE, IT ALWAYS GIVES EACH PERSON A VERY DIFFERENT FEELING.

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THANKS TO ALL MY READERS FOR READING TILL THE VERY END. I'LL KEEP ON TRYING MY HARDEST, TO DRAW OUT FUN PIECES OF WORK. IF YOU HAVE ANY THOUGHTS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO WRITE TO ME!

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